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DAILY GAZETTE.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Latest Dispatches from Various Quarters.

—The outstanding legal tenders yesterday were $381,910,737.

—The President has nominated S. C. Kenaga to be postmaster at Kankakee, Ill.

—Chief Justice Waite resigned the Presidency of the Ohio Constitutional Convention yesterday.

—A Chippewa Falls (Wis.) dispatch says the Fremont House was burned last Monday night, and five men severely injured by falling walls.

—The Committee on Banking and Currency have added to the bill pending before them clauses looking to the resumption of specie payment.

—Rufus King, of Cincinnati, and Lewis D. Campbell, of Butler county, are talked of as successors to Chief Justice Waite as President of the Ohio Constitutional Convention.

—From reports received from various mining points in the Schuylkill region, it is estimated that about one-third of the collieries resumed work since the settlement of the basis question.

—The Committee on Ways and Means, by an almost unanimous vote, disagreed to Judge Kelly's bill providing for a convertible bond. The subject, however, will be presented to the House.

—The Secretary of the Interior has sent a communication to the House of Representatives stating that the sum of $115,000 will be required to collect and remove the Kickapoo and other roaming tribes of Indians from Mexico.

—The House Committee on the Judiciary has not yet considered Judge Durrell's impeachment case. All the evidence has not yet been put in a printed form for the information of its members. The subject will not be reached this week.

—The following officers of the Paducah & Memphis Railroad were elected yesterday: President, E. Norton of New York; Vice President, R. L. S. Trimble; Secretary, N. Monsarrat, of Paducah, and Treasurer, John L. Norton, of Memphis.

—John Livingstone, brother of Dr. Livingstone, residing at Listowell, Canada, says: "The last letter which reached his friends in England from my brother was dated August, 1872, from Unyanyembe, on the eve of his leaving for the interior."

—Prominent railroad men, representing the Baltimore & Ohio, Cairo & Vincennes, Cairo & Fulton, and Ohio & Mississippi railroads, were in Cairo yesterday on a tour of inspection. It is rumored that the object of the visit is to secure an outlet for the Southern Pacific Railroad from the East over the roads mentioned.

—A petition numerously signed by prominent bankers and merchants of New York City, and to be presented to Congress to-day, says any additional issue of paper money, either directly by the Government, or indirectly by national banks by authority of the Government, would be most injurious to the interests of the Union.

—The President sent to the Senate yesterday the following nominations: Edwin M. McCook, of Colorado, to be Governor of Colorado Territory; John W. Jenkins, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Colorado; T. B. Searight, to be Surveyor General of Colorado; and Albert M. Caldwell, of Ohio, to be Consul at Ancona.

—The Committe on Judiciary yesterday had before them the Alabama question, and listened to arguments by David Dudley Field and Wm. M. Evarts. The former argued that $632,000 of the Alabama indemnity fund should be paid to a defunct insurance company, which had paid that amount to insurers under war risks. The latter argued in favor of including in the distribution of the award the rights of insurers who have paid their losses.

—A dispatch from Fulton, on the Oswego river, says the most extensive flood known there for twenty years is devastating the lower portion o f the village. On Sunday evening last about thirty families were obliged to leave their houses, and many more on Tuesday morning were carried from the second story of their houses by boats. Men were seen wading in water to their waists, carrying the women of their households on their backs to a place of safety. The damage to the business interests is great.

—The Cabinet meeting was fully attended yesterday afternoon. The subject of sending to Congress a message upon the condition of affairs in Louisiana was submitted and discussed in all its phases. It now seems doubtful whether a message on the subject will be transmitted to Congress, the President's Cabinet advisers not thinking that the condition of affairs in that State has so materially changed within the past year as to require any special communication, the main facts being already known to Congress and covered by a previous message.

—The Cincinnati Common Council yesterday unanimously passed a resolution appointing a committee of six of their members to go to Washington and enter a protest of the city against the stopping of work on the new Government building; also resolutions declaring that the present buildings are inadequate to the business, that new buildings are a public necessity to the city and State, and that two Congressional districts in Hamilton county had in the last ten years paid sixty-five millions dollars internal revenue tax.

—At a largely attended meeting in Fall River, Mass., last Monday night, many women being present, a resolution was adopted demanding the enactment by the Legislature of a ten hour law, and pronouncing any member opposing it unfit for his place. While the meeting was in progress a cry of "fire" was raised, and a scene of frightful confusion followed. Men leaped through the windows in their haste to escape, and women crowded to the doors and platform, making exit impossible. After a time the excitement was allayed, and it was found that nobody was seriously hurt.

—The Manufacturers and Real Estate Exchange of Indianapolis, at their meeting last night, unanimously adopted a resolution "that we approve of the course of our Senators and Representatives upon the currency question, and ask them to earnestly press the application of the people to an enactment of a law which shall give relief to the manufacturer, the mechanic and the laboring men of our country everywhere, as well as to the mercantile interest of the whole country." A resolution was unanimously adopted endorsing the bill offered by Hon. G. S. Orth, of Indiana, known as the "Indiana plan of financial relief."

—Quite a number of prominent German societies will meet in Cooper Institute, in New York, on Friday night, to protest against the action of the police and other city functionaries in regard to the meeting and the clubbing of unemployed workingmen in Tompkins Square. The trustees of the Cooper Union had a conference with the Police Commissioners, and were informed by the latter that they could protect the speakers from violence in the expression of their opinions, but might not be able to protect the property in the hall in case of disorder. Hence, in addition to the rent, two hundred and fifty dollars, the societies must give a bond of two thousand dollars to pay damages to the furniture.

ACCIDENTS.

—Owing to a broken rail, two sleeping cars of the Montreal train on the Troy & St. Albans Railroad were thrown from the track yesterday morning, and three persons slightly injured.

—At Madison, Wis., Miss Minnie Phelps, of Delavan, was instantly killed, and Charles Wilkins seriously injured while coasting down the University Hill last Monday night. The bobs ran into a tree.

—A passenger train from Edinburgh for Glasgow was running at great speed yesterday morning. It came in collision with another express train. Sixteen persons were killed, a number seriously injured, and several coaches demolished.

CRIMES.

—A former cook of the Stiner family in New York, four members of which were burned to death in their house two weeks ago, has been arrested, to await the pending inquest of the coroner. Silver plate known to have been in the house, and jewelry belonging to the dead cannot be found since the fire, and robbery and murder is now insinuated in connection with the terrible affair.

Agricultural Products.

The bill recently introduced in the House by Mr. Lawrence, of Ohio, provides that it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Agriculture annually to ascertain as early as practicable, the probable amount of every agricultural product, including wool and the supplies of animal food in the United States, and each State and Territory separately, the probable demand for each in this and other countries, the cost of shipping the same to market, the prices realized from commerce and the prices where produced, and that the Commissioner of Agriculture shall furnish so much of such information as may be practicable, to the proper officers of State Boards of Agriculture, in such form as may be practicable, so as to enable sellers as well as buyers to determine on reasonable prices.

FIRST EDITION.

FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

Speech by Senator Morton in Favor of Government Control of Railroads.

Mr. Sumner's Supplementary Civil Rights Bill Referred red to the Judiciary Committee.

The West Virginia Contested Election Cases Settled.

WASHINGTON, January 27, 1874.

SENATE.

Petitions.

Chairman CARPENTER and Mr. THURMAN presented petitions from soldiers of the late war, asking that additional bounty be given them. Referred.

Mr. THURMAN said that the petitions so frequently presented were in the same handwriting, the abuse of which should be stopped.

Mr. THURMAN also presented a petition from W. W. Corcoran, G. W. Riggs, and other property-holders of Washington, praying that an investigation be made into the affairs of the District Government, which was asked for a few days since. The petition recites that grave charges have been made by various newspapers. Laid on the table.

The Credentials of a Louisiana Senator Recommitted.

Mr. MCCREERY moved that the credentials of Wm. L. McMillan as Senator from Louisiana be recommitted to the Committee on Privileges and Elections. Agreed to.

Government Control of Inter-State Railroads.

Mr. MORTON moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the resolution offered by him a few days ago providing for creating a commission of five persons to examine and report to Congress what legislation is required in regard to inter-State railroads, to provide for cheaper transportation, for the safety and comfort of passengers, for the reform of abuses, and to promote the general efficiency of railroads in the interests of commerce and the convenience of the traveling public.

Mr. MORTON addressed the Senate in favor of the resolution. He said the Constitution declares that Congress shall have the power to regulate commerce among the several States. The Supreme Court in several decisions has defined commerce to comprehend intercourse as well as traffic, passengers as well as merchandise. Commerce entirely within the limits of one State is not within the meaning of the Constitution. The power to regulate commerce must be exercised whenever the subject exists, and operate upon the subject and those engaged in its prosecution. The power to regulate and govern the whole includes power to govern constituent parts. The power to regulate commerce involves power to regulate the means and instrumentalities with which it is carried on. Without this it could not be executed. The courts have always so held. Commerce pertains not more to water than to land. Transportation is a part of commerce. Congress has made regulations of every kind over the construction and management of ships and steamboats. The power upon the broad principle that power to regulate commerce included power to regulate the instruments of commerce. Congress has no more power over navigation than over railroads engaged in inter-State commerce. The power applies to the instrument, whether natural or artificial. The control of Congress over inter-State railroads should not go beyond such regulations as are for the general interest of commerce, and affect as little as possible the exercise by corporations of the powers conferred by a State and the control by each State over the railroads within it. This power is distinct from the taxing power, and does not interpere with the right of a State to tax the property of railroad corporations or stockholders. Railroad companies must accept their franchises upon the condition that if they engage in inter-State commerce they will be subject to the power vested in Congress before any railroad charter was granted. There is as much reason and necessity for regulating commerce upon inter-State railroads as upon navigable waters. If through lines from the Atlantic to the Pacific may be regulated in one way by Ohio, in another way by Indiana, and another by Illinois, they may become the victims of unfriendly legislation, and each State, acting for its own interest, may not consider those of another State. The people of several States acting separately would be less able to protect their rights against the power of great corporations, which, by their wealth, blandishments and natural power in the States through which they pass, would have undue influence in controlling legislation or defending the execution of their laws. The States acting separately cannot properly regulate these great lines of transportation in which so many States are concerned. The extent and character of the power are left to the discretion of Congress, subject to the restrictions of the Constitution that they shall be of a uniform character and no advantage shall be shown to one State over another. The power to regulate commerce includes power to regulate common carriers and the public highway upon which it is transported. Railroad companies are common carriers and railroads are public highways. Common carriers are required to carry for all persons and at reasonable rates. Is there a doubt that a State in one case or Congress in other may determine what are reasonable rates? A State can make no contract with corporations which would restrain Congress, however binding it may be on the State. The power of a railroad company to fix rates is but the power of a State granted in its charter. Whatever franchise the State grants must be accepted, subject to the condition that if a railroad engage in inter-State commerce it is liable to regulation by Congress. A State cannot obstruct inter State commerce by direct legislation or exorbitant taxes on freight or passengers. What a State may not do by direct legislation it cannot by charter or contract power a corporation to do. If a State has uncontrolled power, direct or indirect, to fix rates, a heavy tribute may be levied upon the commerce of other States compelled to pass across its territory. For at least four months in the year the commerce of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska, and that over the Union Pacific Railroad, passes around the southern point of Lake Michigan in Illinois, and if that State, in defiance of Congress, by direct legislation, or through railroad companies, fixes rates of travel and transportation across its territories, it has a vast power for the oppression of the Northwestern States, which is inconsistent with our form of Government. Each State may regulate the commerce internal to itself, and in the absence of Congressional legislation may make regulations for commerce passing across its territory, provided it does not impose burdens on inter-State commerce or make unjust discrimination. But all such regulations as affect inter State commerce, however meritorious in character or intention, must yield to the legislation of Congress. It is a field of jurisdiction that the States may occupy in the absence of Congressional legislation, subject to the conditions just named. Railroad companies have the power to fix rates for freight and passengers in the absence of restraining laws by the State or Congress, except so far as modified by the principle of common law that common carriers must transport for reasonable rates.

Supplementary Civil Rights Bill.

The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of the calendar. The bill to protect all citizens of the United States in their civil rights and to furnish means for their vindication, introduced by Mr. Sumner on the first day of the session, supplementary to an act to protect all citizens of the United States in their civil rights and to furnish means for their vindication.

Mr. HOWE said he desired to submit some remarks on the bill, but was not ready to do so to-day.

Mr. PERRY (Conn.) moved that the bill be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. SUMNER said there was a very good reason why this bill should not be referred to that committee. It had twice been before the committee, and there was no necessity of again sending it there. The Senate had acted on the bill as a Committee of the Whole. He could see nothing in the motion to refer but a mode of opposition by imposing time, impediment and delay. The bill, stood number one on the calendar, and should have been acted upon on the first day of the session. His desire, he might say "darling desire of his soul," was to have this great question closed now, so that it would never intrude again in this chamber, so that never again in our legislation would there be such a word as "white" or "black," but that legislation should be only for citizens.

After further discussion the bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Electing the President by a Direct Vote of the People.

The joint resolution on the proposition for an amendment to the Constitution providing for the election of President by a direct vote of the people and abolishing the office of Vice President, introduced by Mr. Sumner on the first day of the session, being next on the calendar,

Mr. STEWART said that he believed that the President of the United States should be elected by the people direct, without the intervention of an electoral college.

Mr. MORTON said that the Committee on Privileges and Eections had the subject under consideration, and would report soon.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

National Banks Without Circulation.

The bill to authorize the organization of national banks without circulation was then taken up.

After discussion a vote was taken and the fact was developed that no quorum was present.

The Senate then adjourned.

HOUSE.

Bills Reported.

Mr. STOWELL, from the Postoffice Committee, reported back to the Senate amendments to the Post Route bill. Concurred in.

Mr. MONEY, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported a bill that revived the grant of lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from Vicksburg to the Texas State line.

Mr. HOUGHTON, from the Pacific Railroad Committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Southern Trans-Continental Railroad Company, and to grant it the right of way through public land.

Mr. DUNNELL, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported a bill to amend an act to encourage the growth of timber on Western prairies.

The last three bills were ordered to be printed and recommitted.

Mr. DAWES, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill allowing merchandise in United States ports on the 31st of January, 1872, to pay the duties to which they were liable on that day, even though not in a public store or bonded warehouse the next day.

After explanation the bill was passed.

Mr. GARFIELD, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported back with amendments the Senate bill in relation to lines of telegraph connecting the Capitol with the various departments of the Government. Passed.

Also, a bill to reduce expenditures on public buildings. Referred.

West Virginia Contested Election Cases.

The House resumed consideration of the West Virginia contested election cases. At the close of the debate, which had occupied the House for nearly a week, the House proceeded to vote on the various resolutions.

The resolutions of the majority of the Committee on elections, reported by Mr. Smith, of New York, were that John J. Davis and J. M. Hogan, chosen at the August election, were not duly elected, and that Benj. Wilson and R. F. Martin, chosen at the October election, were duly elected.

The resolutions of the minority, reported by Mr. Hazelton, took the opposite ground, and were supported by the Republican side of the House, those of the majority of the committee being supported by the Democrats.

The result of the voting was that Davis and Hogan were declared entitled to seats, and were accordingly sworn in. The only deviations from strict partizanship in the vote in reference to Davis were that two Democrats, Messrs. McGee and Waddell, voted with the majority of the House, and that seven Republicans, Messrs. Banning, Bradley, Poland, Smith (N. Y.), Thomas (N. C.), Williams (Mich.) and Woodford, voted with the minority. In the vote in reference to Hogan, several other Republicans, including Messrs. Kellogg, Mellish, Coburn, Hawley (Conn.) and Willard (Vt.), voted with the minority.

The time occupied in voting was over two hours. It was six o'clock when the House adjourned.

THE RIVERS.

(Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

OIL CITY, January 27, 1874.

The river is at a stand, with five feet of water in the channel. If the present weather holds out forty-eight hours, we will have eight feet of water. It is warm, with a slight rain. G.

CINCINNATI, O., January 27.—River thirty-five feet six inches; falling. Arrived—Charmer, Evansville; Ironside, Pittsburgh; James D. Parker, Memphis. Departed—Pat Rogers, Memphis; Allegheny Belle, New Orleans; R. R. Hudson, Wheeling. Light trade all day.

EVANSVILLE, IND., January 27.—Rained steadily since 10 last night; mercury 45 to 50. River risen 22 inches; 27 feet 4 inches by the mark. Up—Idlewild, 4 A. M.; Lawrence, Fayette and Geo. Roberts, 9; Mary Arment, 3 P. M.; Arlington, 5:30. Down—Morning Star, 6; Quickstep, 7; Florence Lee, 5; Nick Longworth, 7—generally with find trips. The Longworth has added largely and is nearly full.

STATE NEWS.

THE C. & S. Railway Company has sued Mr. Rush R. Sloane for $50,000, and his property has been attached.

JOHN HALEY, who was shot by a mysterious stranger in Pittston, last Friday evening, lies in a critical condition, and his death is hourly expected.

THE Tyrone assessors took a census of that borough while making the assessment, and report a population of 2,490—1,216 males, and 1,274 females.

THE Birdsboro Foundry was put up at public sale on Saturday last; $16,000 was bid, but the stockholders thought that an insufficient price, and the sale was stopped.

AT a meeting of the directors of the Wilmington and Western Railroad company, Wednesday, James Bradford was elected President, and William H. Connell, Secretary and Treasurer.

FOUR boys, charged with robbing the till of Kephart & Miller's store at Wilmore, on Friday night last, have been committed to the Ebensburg jail. The sum abstracted was about $13.

THE name of the village of Mount Vernon, Luzerne county, has been changed to Winton, in order not to be confounded with the revered grounds where the Father of his Country sleeps calmly by the river-side."

THERE are at present eighty-eight paupers in the poor house of Mercer county. This is more, by twenty, than were ever domiciled there before. There is not an invalid among them, an other remarkably unusual circumstance.

THE city debt of Titusville is $338,864—about fifty dollars for every man, woman and child, or estimating the voters at 1,200, and it is not much above that, each voter will have to bear $325 of the city debt, besides paying State, county and school tax.

THE ticket office of the Lebanon Valley Railroad at Hummelstown was robbed on Sunday night last of a sum of money amounting from $42 to $45 while Mr. S. M. Baer, the agent, and Mr. Stouffer, night operator, were attending church.

THE whole number of passengers carried by the railway company and the steamers during the year is 198,555, or 22,226 more than the entire population of the counties through which the Monongahela passes as reported in 1850.—*Monongahela Republican.*

THE examination of the accounts of Berks county by the auditors shows that the total amount of moneys received by the county treasurer for 1873 was $167,109 89, and the amount expended $152,958.04, leaving a balance in the treasury of $14,443 25.

TALMADGE, Summit county, has an apple butter manufactory, which consumes 500 barrels of apples per day during the fall season. During the past season it has manufactured 3,000 gallons of apple-butter, 700 barrels of cider and 500 barrels of vinegar.

A FAT and hide establishment in Montgomery county was totally destroyed by fire the other day, and the *Phœnix* says 300 rats were killed by the spectators, from which we should imagine rats had been raised in the establishment for the purpose of obtaining their fat and hides.

A MRS. LITTLE, living near New Garden, smothered to death her little girl, six months old, on last Friday night, while retiring home from an oyster supper in that neighborhood. When she arrived home she laid it in bed, thinking it was sleeping. Her husband first discovered that life was extinct.

THE population of Erie has about doubled in number every ten years since 1830. Should this proportion of increase continue, Erie will have a population of about 40,000 in 1880, of 80,000 in 1890, and of 160,000 in 1900. We will not carry the figures any further for fear that London and Yeddo may grow jealous.

AT THE recent term of court in Sunbury, Henry Pelpher, of Jackson township, Northumberland county, was convicted of an attempt to commit an outrage upon a little girl named Seal, only nine years of age. Pelpher was sentenced to two years and two months in the Eastern Penitentiary. He is a man over 50 years of age and said to be worth between $50,000 and $60,000.

TWO men named Woods and Phillips, and a woman fortune-teller named Johnston, have been committed to the Clarion jail, charged with highway robbery. The parties were secreted in a woods, where an old man named Wisner had to pass. The woman acted as a decoy until he reached the place where the men were concealed, when they sprang out and robbed him of his pocket book and all the money it contained.

THE Guernsey *Times* of the 8th says: Wool now sells readily in Cambridge at fifty cents. Those who have held their crops may consider themselves quite lucky, as the bulk of the wool produced in this section last year sold at forty-two and forty-five cents. The amount of wool shipped from this point during the past season was nearly double that of the preceding year, and a considerable increase is expected next season.

THE keeper of a billiard saloon on Triumph Hill, Petrolia, was arrested on Friday night on a charge of committing an outrage on a young girl. He was committed to the Marion jail by a magistrate, but was bailed out by friends and returned to his home. On Sunday night the boys visited him, took him from his bed, clothed him with tar and feathers, and rode him on a rail. Great indignation prevails among his friends, who do not credit the story.

MR. JAS. W. THOMPSON, while crossing the Mahony creek, at Big Mine Run, Schuylkill county, on a boardwalk, on Sunday night the covered the body of an infant in the creek. The body of the child bore marks of having been in the water for some time, and might have been washed some distance. It was the body of a matured child of large size and had upon it some few signs of abrasions of the skin. No evidence at all was elicited indicating the parties guilty of the murder.

OHIO ITEMS.

A GRANDDAUGHTER of the late President Harrison is teaching school at Mt. Auburn.

PETIT, of Circleville, who murdered his own bild and burned its body, will plead insanity.

THE Mansfield *Liberal* says that in the defalcation of the County Treasurer, the city of Mansfield loses between $15,000 and $20,000. These funds will be a total loss, as they are not covered by the bond of the Treasurer.

A YOUNG lady of Hammondville, over-anxious for the safety of her father, who was temporarily absent from home, was seized with hysterics, which soon gave way to a profound sleep. She remained in this sleep 36 hours, when she awoke; but a few days afterward fell into a comatose condition, from which she did not recover for three days.

CHARLES ROSENBERG, a carpenter employed in Baggs & Sons' planing mill, Bridgeport, had his hand cut off in a planing machine on Monday. Rosenberg and another carpenter named Frank Barker, in the absence of the man who runs the machine, were planing an inch board. As it was getting quite dark, in letting the rollers down Rosenberg put his fingers underneath and in front of the bits to assure himself that the machine was set to the proper thickness. The revolving knives caught his hand, tearing it to fragments, and in his struggles to extricate himself, his arm was badly lacerated to the elbow.

SECOND EDITION.

Four O'Clock.

HARRISBURG.

Both Houses Again at Work---The Advertising Bill Finally Passed ---Orphans' Court Bill Again Amended---A Harrisburg Firm Receives the State Printing.

Special to the Gazette.

HARRISBURG, January 27, 1874.

Both Houses were at work to-day, but there was nothing of special interest in either branch, farther than has been anticipated.

SENATE.

Mr. RUTAN, in place, read bills for Legislative and Judicial apportionment which were referred to the appropriate Committee. This is one of the most important matters that the Legislature will be called upon to consider at this session, and the report from the committee will likely be the signal for the commencement of a lively partisan tussle.

The Advertising Bill.

At last the bill for advertising proposed legislation of a local character has been passed finally, and this matter has been disposed of. There were no material changes in the bill from last report. It provides, as passed, for advertising all proposed bills of a local character at least thirty days and not later than three months previous to the introduction of the bill into either House—the advertising to be done in English and German papers in the locality that will be affected by the legislation.

Colored Soldiers' Orphans.

Mr. MCCLURE presented a memorial from the officers of the State School Home for colored soldiers' orphans, praying for an appropriation.

Uniform Police System.

Also, an act providing for an uniform police system in the cities of the State.

School Taxes.

Mr. WHITE—A bill providing for the levying of an uniform school tax of three mills on the dollar on the assessed valuation of the Commonwealth.

HOUSE.

The Orphans' Court bill was called up again and amended so as to give Philadelphia three Judges, and as amended was passed.

The "election bill" was next taken up and considered on its third reading. The House spent the greater part of the day in considering it. The only prominent amendment was one providing that the funds derived from fines imposed for violation of any of the various sections of the bill, should go to the school fund of the locality in which the offence was committed. It will likely be finally disposed of this evening, as the Senate will, without doubt, concur in the House amendments, none of which affect the main purport of the bill—and it will then go to the Governor for signature. No trouble is anticipated in that direction.

The State Printing.

Both Houses met in joint session to open the bids and award the contract for printing and binding. The act under which the printing was let was the act of 1856 with supplements to 1871, which provides that on the 4th Tuesday of January of every third year, the Legislature shall meet in joint Convention in the hall of the House of Representative, at 12 o'clock, and the Speakers thereof shall receive proposals for executing the public printing and binding for the term of three years, at a certain rate per centum below the rates specified in the act; and the said Speakers shall, in presence of said convention, open and publish all proposals made, and shall proceed publicly to allot all the printing and binding aforesaid to the person or persons who may propose to execute the same at the greatest rate per centum below the rate fixed in the act.

Every particular kind of printing was then specified in the act and a separate price put upon it.

The Proposals.

There were five proposals received to-day as follows.

McLaughlin & Bro., Philadelphia, 20 per cent. below.

Benj. Singerly, Pittsburgh, 42 per cent. below.

Geo. Bergner, Harrisburg, 43 per cent. below.

A. H. English, Pittsburgh, 44 per cent. below.

B. F. Myers & Co., Harrisburg, 50¼ per cent. below.

The contract accordingly was let to B. F. Myers & Co. who are proprietors of the Harrisburg *Patriot*, the Democratic organ here. They have a large job office connected with their establishment and can do all the State work with great facility, as in former years, both the Northern Central and the Pennsylvania Railroad had a large amount of job work done there, which has since been removed to headquarters in Baltimore and Philadelphia.

ARCTIC.

FOREIGN.

Great Interest Manifested in the Coming Elections in Great Britain.

The Radical Party Gaining Strength.

The Death of Dr. Livingstone Confirmed.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Coming Elections.

LONDON, January 27.—Speculation continues in regard to the reasons which caused the Government to decide upon the dissolution of Parliament. Some declare it was brought about by dissensions in the Cabinet, while others say that Mr. Gladstone has been summoned before the Court of Queen's Bench for not standing for re-election after accepting office in March last. The utmost interest is manifested over the elections, and much activity is displayed in preparation. The newspapers are filled with appeals for the election. The county elections, contested and uncontested, will occupy the first two weeks of February, and those in the boroughs the time between the 30th inst. and the 7th prox. Allowing for delays in the receipt of writs of election in distant parts of Scotland and Ireland, it is believed the general election will be completed by the 16th of February. Both parties are confident of success. The betting now is in favor of the Liberals.

Charles Bradlaugh has written a letter concerning the prospects of the Radicals in the coming election in England. He says it is probable there will be more Conservatives elected and fewer Whigs. But the Conservatives will have to promise some very radical measures in order to be returned. The next Parliament will show a sturdy Radical band for the first time in English history. Working miners will probably be represented in the House of Commons. They have at least three efficient candidates—McDonald, Burt and Crawford. There is now a Radical party growing, and I believe this party, which has mustered a gallant little band even in the Parliament just slaughtered, will be strengthened so materially in the Parliament about to be elected that it will not only be strong enough to prevent Conservatives from retaining office for any length of time, even supposing they should win it, but will be able to so materially modify the liberal programme that Whigism of the Granville type might as well perform harikari.

The Death of Dr. Livingstone Confirmed.

Herr Brenner, a German explorer of Africa, in a letter to Dr. Petermann of Gotha, dated Zanzibar, says Livingstone died on the 15th of August. This date differs from that of a previous report, but all doubt has been set at rest by an official dispatch received by the Government to-day from Zanzibar. This dispatch states circumstantially that Livingstone died in Ladysia, after crossing marshes with water for hours above his waist. The sufferings of his whole party were terrible, and ten of them died in consequence. The members of Camaron's expedition were suffering from fever and ophthalmia, but would await the arrival of the Doctor's remains and bring them to Ujeji. From the latter place they would be conveyed to Zanzibar, where, it is expected, they will arrive next month.

Press Comments.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* declares that it has good reason to believe that the report that Gladstone has been summoned before the Court of Queen's Bench is unfounded.

The *Times* says: "The simple truth is, the ministry was unable to withstand the annoyance caused by its repeated defeats since the beginning of the recess, and it determined to win the country by a bold dash and promises of reduced taxation."

Sympathy for the German Government.

A large and important meeting was held at St. James Hall, last night, the object of which was to express the sympathy of Englishmen for the German Government in its struggle with the Ultramontane party. Letters supporting the purposes of the meeting were received from the Archbishops of York and Canterbury and two hundred and thirty seven members of Parliament. Speeches were made by Messrs. Newdegate, Peel, Chambers and others.

Address by Mr. Lowe.

LONDON, January 27.—Mr. Lowe, in his address to his constituents, deals largely with local topics. He says an increase of expenditures had always attended a Conservative administration. Disraeli, when in power, never had a large surplus himself, therefore he is welcome to dispose in imagination of the accumulations of others. Progress in England is ever the result of harrassing legislation, but adherence to custom would stereotype barbarism.

Marine News.

QUEENSTOWN, January 27.—The steamship Republic, from New York, has arrived.

THE CAPITAL.

Additional Discoveries in the Captured Rebel Archives.

A Southern Railroad Owned by the Confederate Government at the Close of the Rebellion.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, January 27, 1874.

Additional Discoveries in the Captured Rebel Archives.

The discovery of the Cushing-Davis letter among the Confederate archives has encouraged further searches. Evidence that the Piedmont & Danville Railroad was owned by the Confederate Government at the close of the rebellion has just come to light, and has been transmitted to the House Judiciary Committee, which is now investigating the subject. About two million dollars are involved. The newly discovered evidence is said to be complete.

Telegraph Line in the Indian Country.

General Sheridan was before the House Indian Committee to-day, favoring the building of a telegraph line through western Texas, to give warnings of Indian and cattle stealers' raids.

A Bloody Fight.

A bloody fight took place about midnight in Willard's Hotel between a Dayton (O.) editor and a House official about an appointment. The official got terribly beaten. DIAMOND.

WASHINGTON, January 27, 1874.

Report on the Advisability of Printing Accounts of Disbursements for the Indian Service.

Mr. Anthony, from the Committee on Printing, submitted a report to the Senate to-day on the question of the advisability of printing voluminous accounts received from the Second Auditor of the Treasury, showing in detail last year's disbursements for the Indian service. The committee say there were in 1834 only twelve Indian agencies, and now there are twelve Superintendents and seventy agencies whose condensed accounts, if published, will make a large volume and give but little insight into the items of expenditures. Large sums are set down as having been expended for "traveling expenses," "contingent expenses," "benedictal objects," &c., &c., without, generally speaking, any details showing how these sums have been expended. To publish the accounts giving these items, the committee say it would cost a large sum for copying them, and they would fill some seventy five or thirty good sized volumes annually. The annual list, real or technical of defaulters in the Indian service, required to be transmitted by the law of 1834, has not been furnished since the year 1865, in consequence of demands made on the clerical force of the accounting officer of the Treasury by work growing out of the war of the rebellion.

A New Bill to Save Money.

The House Committee on Appropriations to-day perfected a bill directing the Secretary of the Treasury, until otherwise provided by law, to make no payments out of unexpended balances of appropriations heretofore made for the purchase of sites and the erection of public buildings, by the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department for any of the purposes and objects, to-wit: To pay for any site or extension of site the purchase which was not executed or proceedings for the condemnation of which have not been completed, to pay for any work or materials for the erection of any building upon which work is not already begun or contracted for, or pay for the sale or demolition of any building on any site where work has not been commenced until provided for by law. The Secretary shall make no contracts for the purchase of any new site nor for material or labor on any building not actually commenced. All sums heretofore appropriated for buildings, purchase of site, etc., which are made unavoidable by this act, are covered into the Treasury. The Secretary is authorized and directed to suspend work on any buildings already commenced whenever in his judgment such suspension can be made consistently with the public interest.

LEGISLATURES.

Kansas.

ST. LOUIS, January 27.—A special from Topeka, Kan., says both Houses balloted for United States Senator in separate session at noon to day. The following is the result: Senate.—Phillips, 2; Osborn, 4; Simons, 1; Plumb, 4; Geo. T. Anthony, 1; Kingman, 4; Harvey, 5; Wilder, 1; Davis, 1; D. R. Anthony, 1; Charles Sumner, of Massachusetts, 1; Snoddy, 1; Carpenter, 2; Laughlin, 1; Kalloch, 1; Hudson, 2; and Laramie, 1. House.—Carpenter, 3; Smallwood, 1; Phillips, 17, Harvey, 7; Osborn, 15; Goodin, 1; Hudson, 1; D. R. Anthony, 1; Geo. T. Anthony, 2; Greene, 1; Plumb, 14; Martin, 1; Shannon, 1; McKeeron, 1; Randolph, 1; Clark, 5; Bronson, 2; Wilder, 3; Ripley, 1; Ross, 3; Crichton, 1; Kingman, 9; Stover, 1, and Snoddy, 1.

The indications are that Phillips will lead off to-morrow. It may be that the opposition will unite on Stover W. Wilder, but things are so mixed that nothing can be stated definitely until after the ballot in joint session to morrow.

Ohio.

COLUMBUS, January 27.—In the House, the House bill to secure pay to persons performing labor or furnishing materials for the construction of railroads was passed.

AN ATROCIOUS MURDER.

A Man Shot, Cut in Half, Carried up a Hill and Thrust into an Air Hole.

A murder was committed near Minersville, Schuylkill county, Pa., on Friday night last, which for cool atrocity, surpasses most recorded deeds of blood. Oa Friday afternoon, says the *Miners' Journal*, a child of a man named Antony Dewire was buried in Minersville. To the funeral came William Bradley, of Forrestville, the victim, and Thomas Farrell, of Daleware, the murderer. These men had been old army comrades, and were supposed to be on the best of terms. Farrell invited Bradley to accompany him home and spend the evening; the invitation was accepted, and the two set out to the Delaware, to Farrell's house, which is a small, frame, three-story building set in a hill on a cross road leading out from the Mine Hill Gap, and making a V with the road to Minersville. They were seen by several persons on the road; but after they entered the house all is confused except the knowledge of a fearful murder. Mrs. Farrell states that the men came to the house and spent their time in a boisterous and even hilariously, until a short time before the murder, singing and dancing and appearing on the best of terms. At about ten o'clock the supper table was set, Bradley and Mrs. Farrell sat down to eat, but Farrell for no given reason did not join them. He had some words with Bradley, went out the door, came in, went up stairs, and came down with a Springfield rifle. Standing within three feet of his unconscious guest, he did what not even a heathen would have done, murdered the man at his own table, sending the charge of shot into Bradley's body under the right arm, and hurling his soul unprepared into eternity. After the commission of the crime, the murderer acted in the coolest manner imaginable, evidently thinking of his own safety. He lay down on two chairs and told his wife and child to go to bed. Mrs. Farrell suspecting that her husband intended to kill her and the child also, did not go up stairs. Farrell pointed to the child and said: "That child's evidence could hang me." Perceiving which way his thoughts ran, Mrs. Farrell pooh poohed the idea. She and the little one went to the Bible to prevent divulge the murder. To further set the uneasy mind of her husband at rest, Mrs. Farrell began to wash up the blood on the floor. Interpreting this as a sign of an intention to help cover the awful deed, Farrell began to busy himself how to dispose of the body. He remembered an air hole about a hundred yards back of the house and resolved to throw the corpse into it. He wanted his wife to help him carry it up the hill, but she pleaded weakness. On Sunday night the fiend Farrell a small one, the murderer could not carry the body himself at one time; so he dragged it out the door and coolly made two loads of it by cutting it in two in the middle, using an axe, a hatchet, and a butcher knife. Thus by having the body he was enabled to carry and drag the parts up the hill and throw them into the air-hole, where he expected they would remain undiscovered. But the horror of the deed was too much for the woman spectator. While Farrell was gone with his horrible burden, she fled and gave the alarm. Meanwhile Farrell had returned, undressed and gone to bed. Here he was arrested and taken to Pottsville jail. The Coroner held an inquest on the remains of the murdered man, and after taking the testimony of a number of witnesses rendered a verdict to the effect, "That the said William Bradley came to his death from a gun-shot wound, caused by a shot fired from a gun in the hands of Thomas Farrell, on the night of the 23d of January, 1874, at the Delaware, Cass township."

Bradley, the victim of the murder, was scarcely above thirty years of age, was a quiet and respectable man, had been together and was a member of Lawrence Post G. A. R. of Minersville, by which he was buried Sunday afternoon with military honors. He was a single man. Farrell is a man of another stamp, being fierce, morose, the terror of his neighborhood. He abused his wife shamefully at times. He can give no reason for his crime, saying he didn't know why he did the deed, and at another time asserting that he was crazy. It is hinted that he was jealous of Bradley, suspecting him of improper intimacy with his wife.

MR. JACOB WOOLF and son, of Milton township, Mahoning county, met with a serious accident on the 12th inst., causing the death of the elder. While they were felling timber for rails, a large oak fell in a direction opposite from what was intended, striking in its course another tree, detaching from the falling tree a large limb, which struck both father and son, fracturing the elder Woolf's skull, from the effects of which he died. The younger will recover. Mr. Woolf was about fifty-three years old, and was reputed quite wealthy.

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GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 111½.

THE proprietors of the Harrisburg *Patriot* have secured the contract for Legislative printing and binding, as against Bergner, Slingerly and other bidders.

THE New York *Tribune* seeks to prove that among the press of the country there is "a great preponderance of ability against inflation." It manages to find sixteen papers, one half of which are of no importance, to fortify this rather indiscreet remark. Of these, eleven are published in small eastern towns, principally in New England.

IT IS INTIMATED that the sudden ending of the coal strike is ascribable to a struggle for supremacy between the railroad companies, thus diverting attention from the mines, and compelling a prompt settlement of the dispute. If this is true, it proves how completely these strikes are under the control of the railroad managers, and, thus, that they are responsible for the efforts put forth from year to year to raise the price of coal.

THE report of Superintendent Cordier, of the Allegheny Work House, of which we present an abstract in our local columns, may fairly be claimed as the best showing for a reformatory institution, that has been made in this country. It is, that while the physical and moral well being of the prisoners have been carefully attended to, the institution has been so managed as to show over $14,000 net profits. Messrs. White, Albree, Fleming and others, who have been managers, and Mr. Cordier, who has been, and is the Superintendent of the institution, deserve higher praise than we could modestly bestow, for the grand work they have accomplished in that institution.

ARMORS of the pavement issue is a statement of experiments, made in the city of Glasgow, and published in the *Telegraph* of that city, about a fortnight since. These experiments had reference, exclusively, to the accidents to horses, it being noticed that of three different kinds of pavements,—granite, asphalte and wood,—there was a palpable disparity in the number and effect of falls. Policemen were instructed, during the months of March, April, May and June, to notice and report mischances to horses, as regards "falls on knees," "falls on haunches," and "complete falls." The result of the report was that granite was most slippery, asphalte less so, and wood least. Each kind of pavement produces accidents under different conditions. The stones are safe when thoroughly wet, and dangerous if dry; the Asphalte and wood offer a precarious footing when damp or wet, and a firm one when free from moisture—and in the intermediate state, wood is preferable. The most singular fact developed was, that on wood, horses fall most frequently on their knees, and quickly recover, while on the other pavements they fall on their haunches or side, and recover their feet with extreme difficulty. Those that fall on wood suffer least, and on Asphalte most. These are curious facts, as bearing on this general subject, and are worthy of being investigated in this country, as our climate, or the method of preparing pavements may exert some influence on the results.

LEGALITY OF COUNCILS.

A question was started in Councils on Monday, which is of more than passing importance, in view of the issue of Water Bonds, under the authority of a committee appointed by Councils. It is, whether the present Councils have a legal existence. If the decisions thus far rendered be correct, they are not legally constituted bodies, if the new Constitution was in force on the first of January. If it did not go into effect until the 7th, the day on which it was proclaimed, they are legal. We are surprised that this question has not been settled before, and hope that it will now be pressed to a final decision. The decision of the City Solicitor seems to imply that the present Councils are legal—as he mentions the election in February as designed to take effect in 1875. But if it should be decided that the Councils for the present year are yet to be elected, it will greatly change the character of the coming election, and restore the members of last year to office until their successors shall be elected.

THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

Our Democratic friends rendered us all the service in their power, yesterday, by nominating just such a ticket as will be certain to be defeated. John B. Guthrie was nominated for Mayor, Frederick Ihmsen for Treasurer, and John A. Elder for Controller. It was a grand mistake on the part of the Democrats to nominate a ticket at all, but to put up one of the most antiquated and ultra Democratic type, is, as we have remarked, a great service to the Republican party. Against the gentlemen nominated, personally, we desire to be courteous and kind. Their political history and attitude in the past, and their adaptation for the positions which they are nominated, will be subjects for remark at the right time. Such a ticket, however,—in the sense to attract a Republican vote, would judge, repel some of the Democrate.

We now hope that the Republican Conventions will put in nomination the very best men possible. If a ticket is prepared, free from objectionable influences, made up of the right men, that is, entirely clear of the City Hall ring,—there is no room for fear as against the ticket nominated yesterday. But the fact that the Democrats have utterly failed in meeting the requirements of the hour, makes it all the more necessary that a strong and acceptable Republican ticket should be made. If both are bad, there will almost certainly be a citizens' ticket put up, and we all know the result of such movements in this city. The Republican party, as we have before remarked, is entitled to the control of the city government. In the main it his put forward a better class of candidates, and we will be grievously disappointed if this is not done this year. We know it can be done, and it only needs that all other interests be subordinated to those of the party, for an easy and triumphant victory to be achieved.

OUR NAVY.

Senator Hamlin proposes an investigation of the condition of our Navy, by a joint committee of Congress, in company with two naval officers. There is no definite policy being followed as regards it, and the object is to ascertain the facts necessary for a report that shall indicate a policy for the future. The Secretary of the Navy would like something equivalent to the great survey of Congress, as a rule, is unwilling to appropriate large sums for naval purposes at all. Shall we have a war navy, a cruising navy, or a skeleton navy, in the sense that we have a skeleton army? These are the questions that are argued, the conclusion reached depending on the standpoint from which the subject is viewed.

Naval officers, contractors, the Secretary, and all who view the subject from their standpoint, desire a thoroughly efficient navy,—equal to any warlike occasion that may arise. So full is the Secretary of this idea, that with the rumor of a Cuban war, he plunged pell mell into the work and expense of putting the navy on a war footing. The argument of this class is, that in the event of war, we cannot prepare with sufficient promptness to avert great disasters,—especially if that war be with some European naval power; and hence, it is cheaper, as well as wiser, to be in constant preparation. Others, who do not view the subject in this light, claim that our location, our fertility of resource, the defensible condition of our great seaports and cities, and the rapid changes that are being made in the methods of naval warfare, make it entirely unnecessary for us to attempt to build an effective navy after existing models. A single American invention entirely revolutionized naval warfare—and this vessel was the production of our civil war. We have a torpedo system which, if as effective as claimed, will protect us against any war vessels now afloat. More than this, the heaviest foreign war vessels cannot enter our principal ports, and as cruisers to catch our merchantmen, would amount to nothing. Thus we are confident the argument is against war, and in favor of a cruising navy, both on the score of efficiency and expense.

ENGLISH ELECTORIAL CANVASS.

In both England and Canada, general elections are pending. In the case of the latter, it is the outgrowth of the Pacific Railway scandal, which affected the reputation of the Ministry; in England the vote by which the Irish university measure was defeated, was the immediate cause—although there are other reasons back of this, which have more or less bearing on the subject. The present Ministry came into power in December, 1868, as the result of a general election, in which the Disraeli government was defeated, and, consequently, resigned. The Gladstone Ministry came forward, nearly simultaneously with the session of Parliament, in which his party was triumphant. This, like all regular Parliaments, was elected for seven years; but it has been known for some time that it would shortly be dissolved. Still it was expected that a short session would be held in February, and the financial bills passed before the disolution. But Gladstone has suddenly determined to take the issue before the country at once. Hence, Parliament is dissolved, an election ordered, and the new Parliament is to convene on the 5th of March. Within this brief period, the fate of the present Ministry is to be decided.

Gladstone is fully alive to the importance of the election, and his address to his constituents at Greenwich, asking for a re-election, incidentally discloses the real cause of dissolution. He evidently realizes that the pressure to be brought on the masses is his strong card, and this can be done better before than after a meeting of Parliament. He mentions his defeat on the Irish University bill, and claims that it was brought about by the conservatives and Catholic clergy; refers to the refusal of Disraeli to accept power, and then points out the improved financial condition of the Exchequer, there being a surplus of $25,000,000. He proposes, in view of this surplus, if returned to power, to abolish the income tax, and reduce local taxes, and make a reduction of duties on articles that enter into general consumption. He also proposes an extension of suffrage, and a readjustment of the electoral system. These are the important items of his address, and, it will be seen, are adopted to conciliate the middle classes.

Disraeli, as the Conservative leader, has also addressed his constituents, asking a re-election. This address is, in reality, a reply to that of Gladstone. He challenges the sincerity of the Liberal leaders, claiming that suffrage extension and tax reform were really originated by the conservatives, and at first opposed by Gladstone and the Liberals; but intimates that they are now taken up merely for party effect. He then argues that Gladstone's administration has unsettled home institutions, while it has been weak in its foreign policy. The Ashantee war and other terms are mentioned in support of this view. In one of his crisp sentences, Disraeli charges on the Conservative leader that he has been too energetic in his home policy, and not vigorous enough in his foreign measures. He also affirms that the promise of tax reduction is a sham,—that the readjustment proposed means an increase of taxes in other directions equivalent to all the reduction promised.

It is difficult to decide which is the most effective address. Both are, in reality addressed to the country, and serve to define the policy of either party. Gladstone's is strong in its financial showing and promises, but this strength is almost exclusively with the middling classes. Disraeli's is vigorous, in its appeals to English reverence for established institutions, and pride in its foreign policy,—and its chief strength is with the aristocratic and wealthy classes. Yet it does not fail to reach down to the poor,—in that it claims the credit for the conservatives of originating all that is good in Gladstone's policy. If the aristocracy and the wealthy can control the votes of the medium classes, Disraeli ought to win; if, on the other hand, the classes referred to dare to be independent of the aristocracy, Gladstone will win. The lines between the two classes are somewhat clearly drawn. We incline to think, in view of Gladstone's boldness, and the patronage at his command, that he is destined to succeed in the contest.

PERSONAL.

D. W. SEILER has been nominated by the Democrats for Mayor of Harrisburg.

MR. E. J. YOUNG is one of the proposed candidates for the Allentown Mayoralty.

ON January 9 Cardinal Bonaparte and his relatives had five hundred masses said in the principal churches of Rome for the repose of the soul of Napoleon III.

MRS. HARDY, a niece of General Warren, who fell at Bunker Hill, has just died at Colusa, Cal., at an advanced age. Her first husband was William Carr Jones, a noted lawyer of the land of gold.

EX-GOVERNOR COBURN, of Maine, has given to Somerset County, in that State, the deed of a court-house costing $50,000, which is one of the deeds that speak louder than words.

MISS LYDIA THOMPSON'S agent says that in April he intends to "sell the title, *repertoire*, wardrobe and entire effects of the company." Now, if the purchaser could only secure the popularity of the company as well.

AND now comes Thomas Hopkins Johnson, of Mississippi, a near relative of the late Johns Hopkins, the Baltimore four millionaire, to contest the will in which the property of the deceased Johnson was left to Maryland charities.

VICTOR EMMANUEL is thought to be angry at the announcement in the *Almanac de Gotha* that he has contracted a morganatic marriage with the Countess Mirafiori, as all the Italian official papers declare that such a union could not be recognized by the Italian Parliament and denounce the report as a "solemn canard."

WHETHER or not the Princess Marie, the bride of the Duke of Edinburgh, shall precede the Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, is now agitating the English Court circles. Queen Victoria and the Czar are said to interest themselves in the matter, the former advocating the claim of her daughter and the latter that of his.

CHANG and Eng were rebels, but, writes a Philadelphia correspondent of a New York journal, "they did not go to the war;" on the contrary, the war came to them. If anybody is to be excused for favoring disunion, certainly the twins ought to be. They knew, the disadvantages of union, and wanted to try the other plan awhile.

INFORMATION is asked as to who were the inseparable Hungarian twins, spoken of in the Tatler, January 7, 1709. They were Helen and Judith, and were joined together back to back by the loins and thighs. They were born in 1704, and lived twenty-two years. One was larger and more active and intelligent than the other, but both were taken sick and died together.

IT is said that the oldest bank president in the United States is probably Ekphalet Williams, of Northampton, Mass. He will be ninety-five years of age in March next. He presided last week at the annual meeting of stockholders of the Northampton National Bank, and was re-elected to the position he has so long and ably filled. The bank is one of the oldest and strongest in the country, and he has been connected with it for more than a generation, if not ever since its organization.

ONE of A. T. Stewart's old $3,000 clerks doubles his salary in a Boston house this year. A bid by a New York house with a $20,000 salary for a cloak buyer in a Boston house couldn't touch him. An old Boston dry goods employe has just gone abroad as buyer for a New York house at $35,000 a year and expenses. A New York firm is to-day trying to tempt a Boston cotton goods salesman into its employ at a salary of $15,000. A worsted goods clerk in New York at $7,000 is anxious to get back to the fold and his employers in Boston for $3,200 a year.

FATHER HYACINTH refuses to acknowledge the election of Professor Reinkens as the Bishop of the new "Old Catholic Church," on the ground that he cannot conscientiously subordinate his priestly office to any political authority. This at once inaugurates a conflict within the ranks of the seceders from the regular Catholic Church, that holds out little hope of a permanent organization. It is suggested that Father Hyacinth's action is prompted by motives of ambition, or perhaps even still more by his feelings as a Frenchman, which would naturally make him averse to recognize a German as the supreme head of the new Church.

MR. WILLIAM EDWARD NIGHTINGALE, of Lea Hurst, Derbyshire, and of Embley Park, near Romsey, the father of Miss Nightingale, died during the first week in January, at his Hampshire residence, in the eightieth year of his age. His paternal name was Shore. He was the son of a banker at Sheffield, residing at Tapton, in Derbyshire, and he was born in February, 1794. On attaining his majority he assumed, by royal license, the name and arms of Nightingale only, after his maternal great uncle, whose estates he inherited. He was educated at Edinburgh and at Trinity College, Cambridge; was a magistrate for Derbyshire, Wilts and Hampshire, and served in 1828 the office of High Sheriff of the last named county. By his marriage with a daughter of the late Mr. William Smith, M. C., for Norwich, he had two daughters, Parthenope, the wife of Sir Harry Verney, M. P., and Florence.

By the young King of Siam, who formally took possession of the throne, at Bangkok, on the 16th of November, has been boldly and sensibly broken down and abolished the miserable and servile system of etiquette in his dominions which had imposed upon all inferiors the prostrating themselves to the dust in the presence of persons of superior rank. The young Oriental monarch has put an end to this forever. In future every man in Siam is to stand erect before his fellow-man, thus realizing the Hibernian averment that one man is as good as another—and a great deal better. The King, who speaks and writes English fluently and correctly, thanks to instructions given him in his childhood by Mrs. Leonowens, an English governess, visited Batavia, Singapore, Calcutta, Bombay, and other places in the year 1871, being the first ruler of Siam, who ever quitted his own territory. He has adopted the European dress, manners, and customs, and is rapidly introducing the civilization of other nations into his own. He is evidently a reformer, in advance of his age.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A KANSAS couple paid the marriage fee in butter recently.

IN PARIS during 1873 not less than 3,400 musical works were published.

LONDON has 117 square miles, 500,000 houses, and 3,250,000 inhabitants.

MAINE advanced $24,000 to a colony of Swedes who settled in that State in 1871, and has received $8,000 of it back already.

OVER 600 squirrels, 200 rabbits, 45 raccoons and 16 foxes are known to have been taken within the limits of the town of Salem during the past season.

DURING the last nine years San Francisco has suffered by fire to the value of $5,476,570, of which $3,022,722 was insured and $2,453,848 uninsured property.

MARYLAND contains 1,742 public schools, attended by 120,824 pupils. Of there 123 schools and 40,183 pupils are in Baltimore. The total expenditure through the State for school purposes last year was $813,579.

A KANSAS agricultural economist has figured out that to fit out the grange organizations of the country it will cost from $30,000,000 to $40,000,000. He does not add how much it will cost for running them after the machinery is ready for operation.

THE anvil for the thirty ton steam hammer to be erected at the Woolwich Arsenal, England, will weigh sixty tons; the anvil block weighs one hundred and three tons, and took six months to cool. Altogether six hundred and sixty tons of iron will be used in the foundation work.

GENERAL JUBAL A. EARLY is credited with saying that the Virginia representation in Congress has never been of any use to the State, and that he is in favor of abolishing it, and for the United States Government to pay over to Virginia the salaries of eleven Senators and Members, being about $100,000.

THE manufacture of gloves is a specialty in the thriving little town of Gloversville, Fulton county, N. Y. There are more than 100 glove and mitten manufactories in successful operation, supplying labor to more than 4,000 men, women and children, and turning out something over $3,000,000 of manufactured goods annually.

A SAN FRANCISCO merchant placed an empty dry goods case over a sunken flagstone in front of his store, and thereby provided himself with a day's amusement at the expense of passers, all of whom stared up to see the immense hight from which the case must have dropped to make such an impression on the solid pavement.

THERE is, according to the Elmira *Advertiser*, a little romance current about Miss Bonney, the Canawaugus trance medium who died at Avon recently. Eight years ago she was betrothed to one Gibbs, who went to Michigan to seek his fortune. Returning last week to marry her he found that Miss Bonney, instead of being in a state of readiness to accompany him to his Western home, had been claimed as the bride of Death.

THE *Free Press* gives details of the suicide of a little boy, Eugene Johnson, on Niles' Hill, near Burlington, Vt., a few days ago. He and his sister had been inhumanly treated by their father, and during the absence of the brute, the little fellow hanged himself in the barn. There the body was found by Johnson, who let it remain, went to bed, slept as usual, and eighteen hours after informed the neighbors, who cut the body down.

THE amenities of Tennessee journalism receive frequent illustrations. Thus a Greenville editor remarks of a rival: "His slanderous soul is imbued with the electric fire of hell; his black heart emits the sulphurous fumes till his whole nature is absorbed in one homogeneous mass of hellishness;" and the Norristown *Herald* says, admiringly: "A man might go to the Yale school of journalism one hundred and fifty years and not learn to write that way."

ONE HUNNIWELL several years ago went west from Seneca Falls, New York, leaving a wife and two children destitute. In the West he met a Miss Lyon, of Cayuga, N. Y., and, making love, was accepted. She returned to Cayuga, last Fall, and a few days ago, Hunniwell visiting her, the two went to a Cayuga church, where they met the deserted wife. The Lyon showed her teeth on learning of the previous wife and won't marry Hunniwell.

SOME of the Catholic girls of Great Britain and Ireland are preparing an offering to the Holy Father, as a mark of their affection and sympathy for him in his afflictions. It is to be called "The Girl's Offering," and the project has met the approbation of Archbishop Manning, Cardinal Cullen and most of the Archbishops and Bishops throughout the United Kingdom. Lady Herbert has undertaken the office of treasurer for England, the Countess of Portarlington for Ireland, the Marchioness of Lothian for Scotland.

AN old salt correspondent of the Hartford *Times*, writing from Rockville about a new railroad, drops into sailor talk thusly: "Everything is squared by the lifts and braces, and all that will be necessary is to put the helm down and let the headsheets fly, and something will have to come around." You bet! If the cook only jams the hatchway hard astern, takes a reef in the binnacle and keel-hauls the spanker boom, nothing can prevent the main truck coming around the mizzen-fo'-to'-gallant-s'l and splicing the main brace.

THE Grangers of Michigan, in convention at Kalamazoo, declare that railroads are amenable to State regulations as much as plank and gravel road companies. The Legislature has as much right to regulate their charges as to fix turnpike tolls or the charges of millers for grinding grain. Accompanying this assertion of right is an appeal to the railroad companies to remember that their interests are identical with those of the farmer, and not to kill by exorbitant rates the agricultural goose that lays the golden egg.

THE railroads of Missouri are said to be worth, with the rolling stock, equipment, and all other property except ex-Government lands, $24 231,330. The State has given them $16,762,904 bonds; counties, townships and cities have added $28,576,000. So the people of Missouri have built the railroads and have then kindly given the corporations $31,107,574 more to pay them for the trouble of ownership. This is more absurd than for England to give princely revenues to people who "needs-scend to be born."

MAYOR MEDILL, of Chicago, writes from France that nothing impresses him more than the economy of the people. As an instance, he says: "Paris contains between four and five times the population of Chicago, but I find that the fuel consumed in it is less than in Chicago. It is true that the climate is much warmer for six months of the year in Paris than in Chicago; but, after making due allowance for that, it still remains true that only one-third or two fifths as much fuel is consumed per capita in Paris as in Chicago; and, as far as my observation and inquiries extend, the same proportion holds good throughout all France."

Harper's Bazar says: "In the present fancy for dressing the neck, the veil is about to be made to do duty in this way. A new veil, introduced by a leading *modiste*, is a scarfe of Spanish net, three yards long and three-eights of a yard wide. The middle of the scarf covers the face like a mask veil, the sides are caught back, pinned with a veil pin, and, without being crossed, are brought forward under the chin, and wrapped around the neck like a muffler. The net has large figures of three leaves together, and, after finding a thin place for the eyes, these figures are permitted to veil and almost conceal the features. The effect is very pretty, and the price is $14.

THE importance of the diversified interests of Pennsylvania is sometimes forgotten in the contemplation of her great products, coal and iron, and yet Pennsylvania is one of the leading lumber States of the Union, and is prominent in many other branches of industry besides those which, by their prominence, have eclipsed such as are of less individual importance. Williamsport is the centre of a large lumber region of the State, and the shipments from that place in 1873 amounted to 243 462,488 feet of lumber, an increase of nearly 45,000,000 feet, compared with the trade of the previous year. This year there is a stock on hand of nearly 227,000,000 of feet, which is 73,000,000 of feet more than at the beginning of the previous year.

THE Papal bull, signed May 28, 1873, regulating the next Papal election, provides for the suspension of all those laws relating to the place where the election is to be held, that is, in the place where the Roman Pontiff may have died, and also those laws regarding the ceremonies, which by no means constitute the character of a canonical election. The Cardinals are absolved from their oaths to observe the constitution with these provisions, and are permitted to fix the day of the future election; but they are forbidden to discuss the subject of the successor as long as the present Pope lives. The reason for these provisions is because "circumstances have so changed that everything is to be feared from crafty men who only call themselves Catholics, as well as from those belonging to the bands of heretics."

THE corporation of the Halles fishwomen went in a body last week to see the "Fille de Madame Angot," and threw a gigantic bouquet to Amaranthe. I am told that the fishwomen of the Halles are the most educated body among that famous community. They are also the richest and most luxurious in their tastes. Every day when they return to their homes, which are veritable palaces, they cast off their working livery and plunge into a bran bath, then dress elegantly and fashionably, and play the lady for the remainder of the day. Their jewelry can vie with any in Paris, as also can the interior arrangements of their homes and their equipages. They are the "queens of the Halles." Rather different from their sisters in Billingsgate! They form one of the wonders of Paris. One of the wonders?—well, many of the wonders.

A PRETTY mantlepiece ornament may be obtained by suspending an acorn, by a piece of thread tied around it, within half an inch of the surface of some water contained in a vase, tumbler or saucer, and allowing it to remain undisturbed for several weeks. It will soon burst open, and small roots will seek the water; a straight and tapering stem, with beautiful glossy green leaves will shoot upward and present a very pleasing appearance. Chestnut trees may be grown in the same manner, but their leaves are not so beautiful as those of the oak. The water should be changed once a month, taking care to supply water of the same warmth; bits of charcoal added to it will prevent the water from souring. If the little leaves turn yellow, add one drop of ammonia into the utensil which holds the water, and they will renew their luxuriance. Another pretty ornament is made by wetting a sponge and sprinkling it with canary, hemp, grass and other seeds. The sponge should be refreshed with water daily so as to be kept moist. In a few days the seeds will germinate, and the sponge will soon be covered with a mass of green foliage.—*Scientific American.*

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

AN excellent cement, we read, may be made from rice flour. It is only necessary to mix the rice flour intimately with cold water and gently simmer it over a fire, when it readily forms a delicate and durable cement. When made of the consistence of plaster, models, busts, relievos, &c., may be formed from it.

A STRANGE use has been made of fish scales, in the manufacture of a waterproof material, designed for dental plates, but capable of being made into waterproof cloth and other useful articles. The fish scales are dissolved and combined with certain fibrous and adhesive substances. The material may be highly polished and colored to any desired tint. When used for dental plates, it would be curious to observe whether the effects of association survived the process of manufacture, or whether the "Billingsgate" which flows in the presence of fish scales is dissolved with them and not carried into the mouths of those who use the new material.

A VERY efficient and serviceable arrangement for removing organic and other impurities from drinking water is that devised by Prof. G. Bischof, of Glasgow, which consists essentially in filtering the water through spongy iron and pounded limestone. The iron is placed in the upper chamber of an earthenware filter, and powdered limestone is arranged in a separate layer below. The iron is procured in a powdery, spongy state by the reduction of an ore without fusion, after the extraction of sulphur and copper by heat. It removes all albuminoid and nitrogenized compounds, and also all bad contaminations from the water; and a trace of iron taken up by the water is separated by its subsequent passage through the limestone. It is stated that one charge of the material, costing one shilling, is sufficient for the filtering of ten gallons per day, for a period of 200 days.

WITHIN the few past years there has grown up a new industry, based upon the saving of blood and other refuse of the slaughter houses, and the "tankings" (or bottoms of the tanks) in which grease is rendered. All this material has heretofore been either wasted, or the attempts to utilize it have been so crude and ineffectual as to make the business not worth pursuing. At the present time, about New York, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Baltimore, a large amount of capital is employed, with machinery and skilled labor, by which many thousands of tons of dry inodorous, nitrogenous matter are prepared and put in the market. This is sold readily at wholesale, at about $3.75 for each unit of ammonia in a ton: *e. g.*, such as contains 10 per cent. sells at $37.50 per ton. It is bought by makers of fertilizers to furnish the proper proportion of ammonia in their compounds, and preference is said to be given to it over the Peruvian guano, which was formerly used for that purpose. In this case the buyer pays for only the actual ammonia contained in the dried material, while the price for Peruvian guano is uniform, though the quality is variable.

The Coal Trade

The total of anthracite coal marketed for the week ending the 17th instant amounted to 158,991 tons, and for the coal year 994 933 tons, against 1,085,840 tons to corresponding time last year, being a decrease of 140 917 tons. The bituminous tonnage for the week is 34,284 tons, and for the year 77,259 tons, giving a total of all kinds for the week of 193,255 tons, and for the year of 1,022,192 tons against 1,160,056 tons to same time last year, being a decrease of 137,864 tons. At Port Richmond for the week ending the 24th inst. the receipts of coal were 2,500 tons, the shipments 11,000 tons, leaving 78,500 tons on hand.

The Huntington and Broad Top Railroad Company, in its annual report of business for 1873, shows a coal tonnage of 474,178 tons, against 318,372 tons in 1872, an increase of 155,806 tons. Of this tonnage 359,246 tons were Broad Top coal and 123,932 tons Cumberland coal. The report shows what may be expected from the opening of this interior route for Cumberland coal to the New York and Philadelphia markets.

HUMOROUS.

"DON'T you mean to marry again, my dear sir?" said a buxom widow to her neighbor. "No, my dear widow," said old crusty, "I'd rather loose all the ribs I've got than take another!"

"WELL, Bridget, if I engage you I shall want you to stay at home whenever I shall wish to go out." "Well, ma'am, I have no objections, providin' you do the same when I wish to go out."

MICHIGAN'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION proposes to render women eligible to school offices, thinking that that which is sauce for the Michigander ought to be sauce for the Michigoose.

A MAN in Fayette county, read in an almanac that his feet could be kept warm by lining his boots with cayenne pepper. He don't feel much like walking now, but he says he would like "to find the man what put that in the almanac."

A LADY desiring to purchase a pair of boots, objected to the thickness of the soles. "Is that the only objection?" inquired the salesman. The lady said it was. "Then I can assure you, madam," said he, "that the objection will soon wear away."

LAST WEEK, in Ohio, a young lady died from what a roundhead old doctor said was "heart klot, or embyolism of the main flue of the heart," but she revived in an hour, and it was found she had been temporarily choked by a chew of gum which she had swallowed.

THE development theory takes hold at an early age in Brooklyn, to judge from the remark, referred to in the *Argus* of that city, of a little girl, who, on being told by her father that she was "a thing of beauty," merely replied that she would rather be "a boy forever."

A VILLAGE in Western New York is reported to be exercised over a new sensation, caused by a young lady of the place leaving a line of bran along the sidewalk, while taking her afternoon promenade. The gossips of the town want to know where that bran came from.

THE author of the following, one John Farneman, has just been mulcted to the tune of $10,000 by the lady to whom the lines were addressed, Miss Kate Firchs, of South Bend, Indiana, for breach of marriage promise:

Forget me Not, forget me Never.
Till the Sun shall Set forever;
And when my face no more you See,
Look on these lines and think of me.

But if my marital care be fled, and
I am Silent with the Dead,
Remember me with Thought Sincere,
Then think of me and don't Drop a Tear.

CHANTICLEER.

BY CELIA THAXTER.

I wake! I feel the day is near;
I hear the red cock crowing!
He cries, "'Tis dawn!" How sweet and clear
His cheerful call comes to my ear,
While light is slowly growing.

The white snow gathers, flake on flake;
I hear the red cock growing!
Is anybody else awake
To see the winter morning break,
While thick and fast 'tis snowing?

I think the world is all asleep;
I hear the red cock crowing!
Out of the frosty pane I peep;
The drifts are piled so wide and deep,
And wild the wind is blowing!

Nothing I see has shape or form;
I hear the red cock crowing.
But that dear voice comes through the storm
To greet me in my nest so warm,
As if the sky were glowing!

A happy little child, I lie
And hear the red cock crowing.
The day is dark. I wonder why
His voice rings out so brave and high,
With gladness overflowing.

—*From St. Nicholas for February.*

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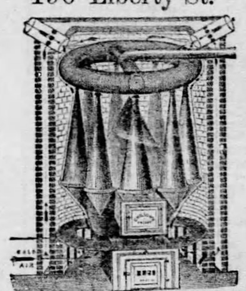
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FINANCIAL.

Latest Advices Concerning Money and Stock Matters.

OFFICE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, }
WEDNESDAY, Jan. 28, 1874. }

The quietness in finances yesterday, a result of the storm, does not indicate differently, as to the general tendency, than what we have stated for days past. Country banks are becoming easier, and are seeking good paper. The applications for money, on notes, are increasing, a fact which points to a steadily extending business.

Stocks were generally dull and drooping through the entire day yesterday. There were particular exceptions to the rule, but what we have said indicates the general

No 1 Milwaukee and No 1 Do with $1.05. Rye and Mixed firm. Barley scarce at $2.00. Corn dull and lower; new western mixed 30c; old and new 32@33c; yellow 34@35c; mixed in store 31c. Oats dull; 1 car western 61@62c; white western 65@66c. Hay and Hops unchanged. Coffee up half cent. Sugar blacker, with an increased demand at 7¾@8c. Molasses and Rice unchanged. Petroleum: crude firmer; 6½@6¾c; refined 13¾@13¾c. Turpentine 48c. Eggs heavy at 23@25c. Pork dull and nominally; extra prime $16; prime mess $15; new in at $18.25. Beef unchanged. Cut meats firm; shoulders 5½@5¾c; hams 9@9¾c; short clear 8¾@8¾c; long clear 8¾c; short clear 8¾@8¾c; January 8 7-16c. Lard firmer; prime steam 9¾c; February 9¾c; March 9¾@9 13-16c; April 10¼c. Butter scarce at 25@35c. Cheese firm at 9½@15c.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, January 27.—Cotton quiet at 18½c. Flour, corn, rye, barley and wheat dull but unchanged. Corn dull and declined 2c@60c. Pork: demand fair and market firm at $15 87½ cash. Lard: demand fair and market firm; steam 9@9½c; kettle 9½@9¾c. Bulk meats: demand fair and market firm; shoulders 5¼c; clear rib sides 8c spot and seller February; clear sides 8¼c. Bacon: shoulders 7¾c; clear rib 9¼c; clear sides 9¾c. Hogs steady; range $5 60@5 90, the latter for choice; receipts 2,300 head; sh ipments 870. Whisky: demand fair and market firm at 95c.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, January 27.—Flour quiet and unchanged in every respect. Wheat dull and unsettled; No 2 white Wabash $1 61; amber Michigan $1 61; seller February $1 59; seller March $1 53; seller April $1 39; No 3 red $1 45; seller January $1 47@1 48. Corn active and prices advanced; high mixed 42½c; seller February 42½@43c; seller April; new 39c; seller March; low mixed 40½c; mixed new 37½c. Oats steady and in moderate demand; No 2 27c.

Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, January 27.—Flour in improved demand; superfine $5 @6 25; extra $6 50@7 50; family $7 @7 50. Corn dull; mixed western nominally 38c. Oats active; No 1 white 37½c; No 2 do 36½c; No 1 Kentucky and firm. Pork unchanged. Bulk shoulders 7¾c; clear rib sides 8¾c; clear sides 9½@9¾c. Butter quiet. Coffee strong and unchanged.

Foreign.

LONDON, January 27.—Refined Petroleum 12¾d. Linseed oil 29s 6d@29s 9d. Turpentine 34s 6d. Rosin 4s 6d. Tallow 41s 6d. Sugar quiet; middling uplands 7 5-8d; Orleans 8 5-8@8d; sales; 17,000 bales; American, 7,000 speculation, and export. Corn 1d lower; mixed 30s 6d; quiet at 31s 6d. Lard 46s 6d. Refined Petroleum 12s 6d@13s.

ANTWERP, January 27.—Refined petroleum 31½f.

Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, January 27.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat strong; No 1 Milwaukee $1 30¾; No 2 $1 23¾; seller February $1 24¾; seller March $1 28. Corn's nearly and in moderate demand; No 2 41½c. Oats firm dull and unsettled; No 2 mixed 32c. Rye steady and in moderate demand; No 1 77c. Barley: demand fair and market firm: fall No 2 $1 00.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, January 27.—Cotton in good demand for clear grades; inferior to select at quotations nominally unchanged. Flour quiet and unchanged. Corn active at 75@74c. Bran quiet at 18@18½c. Lard quiet and unchanged. Bulk Meats firm at 6¾@6¾c and 8¾c.

Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, January 27.—Grain dull but steady and unchanged; No 1 red Wheat $1 57; No 2 do $1 49. Corn, low mixed old at 70c; high mixed at 71c; new 60c. Oats, No 1 at 39c; No 2 at 37c; No 1 White State 50c; No 2 48; white 51c. Petroleum firm and unchanged.

Nashville.

NASHVILLE, January 27.—Cotton dull; 12¾@ 13¾c. Flour quiet at $6 @6 50. Corn quiet at 80c. Oats active at 70c. Bran quiet at 80c. Bulk shoulders 6¾c; clear rib 8½c; clear 8¾c. Bacon: shoulders 7¾c; clear rib 9¾c; clear sides 9¾c. Hogs steady; range $5 60@5 90, the latter for choice; receipts 2,300 head; sh ipments 870. Whisky: demand fair and market firm at 95c.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, January 27.—Cotton quiet at 13c. Flour dull and unchanged. Corn quiet; white 74c; yellow 73c. Oats quiet; No 1 at 42½@43½c; No 2 at 41½@42c; clear 38c. Bacon: shoulders 7½c; clear rib 9¾c; clear sides 9¾c. Lard 9¼@9¾c.

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, January 27.—Flour quiet and steady. Wheat dull; red $1 57@1 60; amber $1 70@ 1 80. Corn dull at 80@81c. Oats unchanged. Whisky at $1 01.

Oswego.

OSWEGO, January 27.—Wheat: red winter $1 75. Corn dull at 78@80c.

Live Stock.

NEW YORK, January 27.—Cattle: receipts 1,720; market firmer and prices advanced to 8¼@8¾c for live; 7¾@8c for city dressed; 6¾@7¾c for western dressed. Sheep: receipts 4,200; market firm; prices unchanged. Hogs: receipts 10,000; market firm; prices advanced 10c@15c; sales at $5 90@6 00; receipts to-day 7,800.

BUFFALO, January 27.—Cattle: receipts 1,970; market firmer and prices advanced to 8¼@8¾c for live; 7¾@8c for city dressed; 6¾@7¾c for western dressed. Sheep: receipts 1,972; total for the week 4,231. By Basket: opened dragging; market firm and active; advance over last week's closing prices; a few were sold, commanding 5¼ advance; buyers, on acc unt of reported heavy arrivals and shrinking of for a decline. Sheep and Lambs: receipts, including reported arrivals 800; total for the week 1,800. Market not opened with fair receipts, but some 15 loads were held over from last week; the market is active and 25c higher than on last week's closing prices. Hogs: receipts, including reported arrivals, 1,900; total for the week 7,800. Market 12½c for the same grades higher than last week's close, with light receipt; at $7 87½ for Yorkers, and $8@8 25 for heavy; all things were disposed of, and the pens are bare of stock.

Wool.

PHILADELPHIA, January 27.—Wool steady and in fair demand. The sales embrace fine delaine, X and XX Ohio, and fine unwashed Merino at prices ranging from 38@40c; medium fleece, 42@45c; coarse 42@43c; New York, Michigan, Indiana and western fine unwashed, medium 43@45; coarse 45@47c; combing washed 42@ 48c; coming new and unwashed 40@42c; delaine 43@46c; fine unwashed Merino, coarse and medium 40@42c; fine delaine washed 46@47c; extra and merino pulled 45@50c.

Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, January 27.—Business is slowly improving—the manufacturers' agents and jobbing branches are quite active. Cotton goods—the demand is not so much in prints. Bleached shirtings and grain goods are active. Medium, heavy and fine grey and prints and percales are in brisk demand. Ginghams are selling more freely. Cloths and cassimeres and sailings and other domestics are severally more active. White goods, linens and Hamburg edgings are in request.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE & CHICAGO R. R.—1 car hay, M F Herron; 172 sks oats, McHenry & H; 211 do, Schmidbach & H; 8 bris whisky, C Graw; 1 keg hardware, Lockhart & F; 2 do, Hood & Co; 2 do, Voigt H & Co; 32 bris bungs, Armstrong Bros & Co; 43 bales hops, J White Jr; 1 car shingles, A McClure; 3 bales rags, Hood & Co; 1 do, Flaccus & Son; 5 bris wine, Littell & M; 32 tubs butter, W H Graff & Co; 1 car flour, Imbs M & Co; 14 do, J H Reed & Co; 1 do, W W Walker; 25 pkgs lard, W H Hays & Son; 105 do, 5 do tobacco, Watt L & Co; 3 bris alcohol, M McCullough; 3 do gin, Speck & M; 10 do, Hood & Co; 2 do, Hood & H; 10 bris spirits, J Seifreth; 5 do alcohol, G A Kelly & Co; 9 cases tobacco, E Poertzel; 20 bris spirits, Marshall Bros & Co; 70 pkgs hops, Hood & Co; Pretzfield Bro; 25 pkgs fish, B H Voskamp; 10 bris spirits, Getty & Co; 50 do whisky, Schmidt & F; 10 do alcohol, J McCullough; 40 bris oat meal, Carbuckles & Co; 1 car shoulders, R Owens; 400 bris flour, owners; 100 do, Shoemaker & Co.

PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI & ST. LOUIS R. R.—75 bris flour, Voegtly K & Co; 1 car car corn, D McMillan; 2 do hay, L G Graff & Co; 100 bris hominy, Voigt M & Co; 185 sks oats, Dalzell, Gorman, McC & Co; 32 pkgs tobacco, J H Gault & Co; 25 do, S Brewer & Co; 80 sks barley, M Weil & Co; 17 do, McHenry & H; 150 bris flour, W H Nantker; 2 cars staves, J P wood; 100 sks feed, J M Peet; 5 pkgs tobacco, D Fleischer; 1 car lumber, Loh & C; 180 bris flour, Adams & K; 15 pkgs bacon, Rea H and K; 10 pkgs butter, W H Graff and Co.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH R. R.—1 car lumber, W J McMasters; 1 do, Slack & S; 8 cars o bris, Central Ref Co; 100 bris lime, Mills & Co; 100 do, J B Caldwell; 20 cars sandstone, Hartman & M; 30 bris s pens, Luebbe Bro; 11 pkgs s iron, Singer N & Co; 2 bxs fish, D W Garrett; 2do, T McCloy; 2 cases dry goods, Hayes M & H; 1 do, Head C & Co; 1

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HOME NEWS.

The Allegheny Water Supply.

Superintendent Paul, of the Allegheny Water Works, again cautions the people against a waste of water, as the supply at present is rather limited. The deficiency is caused by the fact that the water has been shut off from the main pipe on Ohio street to enable the connection to be made with the new basin on Troy Hill. Workmen have been engaged on this work for several days, but twice the joints has been "blown out" and delay thus occasioned. The men are busy now night and day, and it is thought they will complete the work by to-morrow.

Allegheny Finances.

Allegheny City will be called upon during the current year to return $10,000 worth of bonds that were given for improvements by the old borough of Manchester, and which were assumed by the city at the time of annexation.

At the close of last year the Collectors' books in Allegheny showed a balance of taxes outstanding amounting to $90,000. Owing to this deficit the city was compelled to borrow $75,000. The collectors are now at work collecting the amount, and the indications are that at least $50,000 will be secured. The paple is charged with the tardiness of the taxpayers in walking up to the office and settling.

School Board Organization.

The Board of School Directors of the Fourth ward of Allegheny City, met yesterday evening and organized for the ensuing year. Mr. S. Barker was elected Chairman, and Mr. R. C. Miller Secretary. The First named gentleman has been a school director in this ward for twelve years. The other members of the Board are Messrs. Thomas McClance, Wm. Brown, Joseph Craig and John S. Ritenour. The schools in both precincts are in a very flourishing condition. The sessions of the Allegheny County Teachers's Institute, during the first week in April, will be held in the large hall of building No. 1, on Avery and Liberty streets.

Caution.

"The Pittsburgh Association for the Relief of the Poor" hereby warns the public to beware of a woman, dressed in mourning, who is calling on the citizens, asking money for this Association, and representing herself as an authorized collector. She is in no way connected with the Association, nor has she ever been. It is feared that many of our citizens have been imposed upon by her, as she has been heard of in her fraudulent work, not only in places of business, but in private families. An authorized committee, *consisting of gentlemen only*, whose names will be published in the morning and evening papers, is canvassing the city, for funds to enable the managers to meet the almost overwhelming demands that are made upon them —all other collectors are imposters.

MRS. LEVI WARD, Secretary.

THE TEMPERANCEVILLE POISONING.

Dr. William J. Smith Remanded for a Hearing on Thursday Afternoon.

The interest, in the alleged poisoning cases, in the Thirty-sixth ward, does not seem to have flagged in the least. Dr. William J. Smith, through whose mal practice, the death of the said Mary Ann Brooks is alleged, was yesterday committed to jail by acting Mayor Butler. The accused was allowed to sleep in the Mayor's office all of Monday night in charge of Officer Long, but as the court could do nothing for him till he had a hearing, it was set for to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock, he, in the meantime, being remanded to jail. The prisoner hears the charges against him very coolly, and has but very little to say. He seems to have no idea that anything will come of them.

There are people in Temperanceville who assert that the doctor is not in his right mind, and that really no blame, criminally, can be attached to him. Those experienced in medicine say, that a competent physician could have discovered the difference between arsenic and magnesia by weight, if nothing more; and they also say that arsenic is far whiter than magnesia, when in a calcined. Altogether, the case presents many peculiar aspects, which may be explained at the hearing to-morrow afternoon.

TRANS-ALLEGHENY CANAL.

Surveys Concluded.—The Report that is to be Presented to Congress.

As a matter of interest, perhaps there is none which is attracting more general attention than the proposed extension of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal from Cumberland, Md., to the waters of the Allegheny. The engineers who have made a survey of the proposed routes, have done their work, and are now busily engaged preparing their report for presentation to Congress. The report will be voluminous and very exhaustive, and will give the points of the entire survey in detail. The following is a substance of it: The last year's survey presents a route different in many respects and points from any previous survey along the Potomac to Savage river, up which stream it leads to a point selected for the summit level, which will require a tunnel of two miles in length, to connect on the west side, with the Castleman river feeder of the Youghiogeny. The advantages claimed for the new line are, first, the fact that it leads from Cumberland, Md., directly through the Cumberland coal basin, thirty miles west from the present point of coal shipments, by water, and would thus make a reduction of some eighty cents per ton in cost of handling, and, second, it would open up for operation and use, the great coal basin on the west slope of the Alleghany mountain, crossing, what is known as the Salisbury coal fields, which are not now extensively worked, because of the difficulties in the transportation to a market. The estimate of the cost of this grand undertaking, is $29,000,000, and that would extend the canal from its present terminus, Cumberland, to Connellsville on the Youghiogheny river, a distance of one hundred and twenty miles, and from which point there is a slack-water and river navigation to Pittsburgh. The proposed water supply, it is claimed, is ample, and sufficient to fill the reservoirs thirteen times each season, and each time the reservoirs are filled they supply water enough to sufficient to furnish water, allowing for every waste, for one hundred and seventy boats per day for one hundred and ten working days, or a capacity of one million of tonnage each season of ten months' navigation, which it is thought is much more than would be required.

CORDIER'S SUCCESS.

The Management of the Work House During the Past Year. A Few Facts from the Superintendents Report.

A few days ago reference was made to the satisfactory exhibit of the management of the Work House in a financial way, and a word of praise was accorded to Superintendent Cordier and the Board of Managers for the success which has attended their efforts. From an average sheet of the Superintendent's report, which has been received, some additional facts have been gleaned, which will prove of general interest.

The Superintendent reports that during the year 2,661 persons were received at the Work House, of whom 1,976 were discharged by expiration of sentence; 50 by commutation law; 23 by order of Court; 5 by Governor's pardon; 1 removed to Insane Hospital; 4 escaped and 9 died, leaving in the institution 435—577 males and 158 females. The average number of prisoners confined during the year was 350, to-wit: 293 males and 57 females, of whom were employed:

1. In productive labor, in the barrel factory, cooper shop and laundry.....165
2. In making valuable improvements and repairs, such as grading and excavating, glazing and painting, plumbing, farming, &c.....17
3. In the kitchen and household, which is not a source of income, in halls, kitchen and bakery, shoe, tailor and barber shops, gas and engine houses, stables and barn, soap house, sewing, knitting and mending, &c.....89

The remainder were not fit for work, being either sick, infirm, aged, insane, or incorrigible. The Superintendent thinks these paupers, and such were vagrants, and inebriates who should have been committed to the Poor House. He says:

"As the annual cost per capita, for boarding and clothing an inmate of this institution, (medical services not included) amounts to seventy-one dollars and thirty-eight cents ($71.38), we might justly claim a credit of three thousand five hundred and sixty-nine dollars ($3,569) for substituting the fifty prisoners as belonging to the two classes above specified. If the Work House is partly converted into an Alms House, it should certainly, with the duties, also share the privileges of the last mentioned institution, and receive an adequate compensation for the sustenance of such persons."

The earnings of the 165 working prisoners were: In the barrel factory, $58 654 82; blacksmith yard, $4,083 78; laundry, $3,507 39, making a total of $66 245 99. In addition, the prisoners did the work in the erection of the new wing to the building, that, if it had been paid for, would have cost the county by a low estimate $8 265.15—which in reality makes the whole earnings of the prisoners foot up $69 501.14.

The expenses in detail are put down as follows:

For officers' salaries	$17,148 26
Bedding and clothing	5 488 86
Provisions and groceries	19,497 60
General expenses, including minor expenses	13,071 69
Total	$55,206 41

This leaves a surplus in favor of the Work House of $14 294,74.

In reference to the prisoners the Superintendent says:

"The prisoners are always well and comfortably clad, their food is plain, but sufficient and wholesome, and strict attention is paid to the cleanliness of their persons and cells. Having instituted a system of rewards for over-work, a good opportunity is afforded for earning small amounts of money, which they may use for tobacco, beer and comforts. On this account and as gratuities, fifteen hundred and eighty-eight dollars and forty-two cents ($1,588 42) have been paid, during the past year, to worthy and deserving prisoners on their release. Moral teachings, our evening school and a prison library are the principal means employed for the moral culture of our inmates, and in many instances not without good success."

The Superintendent believes in the maxim "make a man industrious and you make him virtuous."

The prospect for business at the institution looks bright for the coming year, and Superintendent Cordier thinks the financial success will be greater in 1874 than it ever has been. He also calls attention to the fact that notwithstanding their large transactions they have not had one pecuniary loss, and not a bad or doubtful debt is on their books.

He concludes by paying a tribute to the efficiency of his assistants and the aid received from the Board of Managers.

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DEMOCRACY'S GUSH.

The Clans Gather—What they are Going to Do About It.—A Pleasant Fraternal Gathering—Gushing and Gullibility Together—The Dem. "Tower of Strength"—The "Bould Front" Put Forward—The Pins Set up for Republicans to Knock Down.

Yesterday morning a number of persons, who, for the most part, by self appointment, are supposed to carry the banner of Democracy in Pittsburgh, made the rotunda of the Court House a rendezvous in obedience to the call issued through the Democratic press for a Democratic city convention to consider the political situation. Perhaps it was the unfavorable condition of things meteorological, or perhaps the usual leaders of this old time organization have become thoroughly satisfied of its defunct state, —possibly the two reasons in a measure combined, had a depressing attendance upon the "ould party," for the attendance was considerably smaller than on previous occasions, while there was a very general feeling of uncertainty as to what ought to be done.

The peculiar situation of affairs political with regard to the Democratic camp, was discussed informally by the delegates, for about half an hour, when the head of the forces, Mr. Christy Magee put in an appearance, and announced that a very appropriate place had been secured for the gathering—the Criminal Court room—and thitherward the crowd at once turned.

Mr. Magee took the lead, and advancing to the Judge's bench, announced himself as temporary master of ceremonies. He suggested, as soon as he could be heard, that the gathering come to order, and after a semblance of quiet had been secured, supplemented his remarks by a request for the election of temporary Secretaries of the meeting.

GETTING UNDER WAY.

In obedience to this request Messrs. J. C. Barr, "Jimmy" Kildea, Frank Loughran, and J. B. Epping were chosen for the position.

The secretaries then proceeded to receive the credentials of delegates. When this was concluded it was announced that there was but one contest—and that was in the Seventh ward. The difference in the Fifth ward primaries had been amicably settled. James Donovan and Wm. Rafferty being admitted to seats.

John C. Barr then moved that a committee of five be appointed on contested seats. The motion was adopted, and Messrs. John C. Barr, B. C. Sawyer, M. F. Cassiday, J. English and J. K. P. Duff appointed as the committee.

Mr. Magee next called for the election of a permanent Chairman, and in response, Messrs. B. C. Sawyer and James K. Polk Duff were named. Mr. Sawyer's modesty induced him to gracefully decline, and Mr. Duff, being thus left in the breach, was too vacuous to retreat. He, however, took occasion to gush forth his thanks for the marked courtesy with which the Convention had treated him, and the Convention, not to be outdone in the complimentary, hilariously accorded Mr. Magee a vote of thanks for his services.

Mr. Polk having the way thus cleared for him, announced in substance that he was so struck with a "tidal wave" of surprise at having honors thus so unexpectedly heaped upon him, as to be unable to make extended remarks, further than to express his thanks.

The Convention accepted the same, and then selected Mr. Robert Lucas and Squire John P. Helsel as Vice Presidents. The temporary secretaries were confirmed as "Permanents."

"WHICH WAY, BOYS"

The convention being thus prepared for taking advantage of the "tide" in its affairs, was apparently at a loss to decide whether the "flood" had arrived which was to "lead on to fortune."

At this moment of agonizing suspense

'Squire Heisel—himself a adviser and moved an adjournment until February 8.

Mr. Rafferty thought February 10 would be a better time.

Chris. Feser was valorous, and opposed any adjournment, as it might lead the many to think the Democracy was afraid to make nominations.

Mr. Tim. O'Leary favored keeping up a "bould front." He bewailed the apathy which had characterized the Democracy for years and by which Thomas, Richard and Henry (last names not mentioned) had led the "ould war horse" around by its nose. He didn't believe in "waiting for something to turn up, but believed in turning it up." Tim was successful in turning up.

Mr. Rafferty's ire, and Mr. R., in language decided and expressive, said the chairman of the Executive Committee had called the convention "to order" not to nominate.

The delegates then indulged in a free banded debate for an interval, during which some of the speakers doubted whether there would be any election. Others thought the Legislature would settle it. More feared the party hadn't a candidate to offer, and a number were equally as positive they could name forty who would be "towers of strength." At last a vote was taken, and the chairman stated that the ayes had the majority, so that nominations were in order.

NOMINATING FOR MAYOR.

The Chair acting in accordance with this decision, called for nominations for Mayor.

Mr. O'Leary nominated Fred. L. Ihmsen, of the Twenty eighth ward.

Mr. Sawyer nominated Samuel F. Patterson.

Another delegate nominated John B. Guthrie.

Mr. M. F. Cassidy nominated Robert Liddell.

Mr. O'Leary was opposed to nominating any man who had publicly withdrawn his name. Liddell had withdrawn his name in the papers.

A delegate remarked that the papers only had what he wouldn't be a candidate, he didn't say so himself.

Mr. Magee nominated Paul Hugus for mayor.

Samuel F. Patterson—If Robert Liddell can be made a candidate for mayor I will instantly withdraw.

'Squire Heisel—Will Mr. Ihmsen be a candidate for mayor? He is going to Europe.

Mr. O'Leary—He is going to Europe next summer with his family, but he will be back here if he is not lost at sea. [Laughter.]

On motion the nominations were closed with the names of Patterson, Guthrie and Ihmsen.

STOCK TALK.

Mr. Magee here offered a resolution.

Resolved, That in the selection of candidates for office it is due to the community at large, and the Democracy whom we more particularly represent, that none but men of unquestioned integrity and capacity should be presented to the people for their suffrages, so that in the support of the men, the honest masses, in disregard of party claims, may have opportunity to rebuke the corruption, defalcations and mismanagement exhibited in their public servants.

Which being endorsed with a wild "hooray" was declared the sense of the convention.

CONTROLLER AND TREASURER.

Mr. Cunningham nominated Mr. John A. Elder for Controller, and he was chosen by acclamation.

The Chair asked for nominations for Treasurer, but none were received, until the Chair in a voice broken with emotion, broke the painful silence with a solemn inquiry. "Is there no Democrat who will take charge of the city's money?" That expressive financial suggestion revived, with surprising rapidity, the flagging energies of Democracy's benchmen, and instantly several passible candidates were named. The names of Messrs. H. A. Fleeson, Ned and Peter C. Shields were suggested, but Mr. Shields shied off at once.

Mr. O'Leary then nominated Mr. L. P. Hitchcock, and Mr. Magee named James H. Hopkins.

At this juncture a recess of ten minutes was taken to await the return of the Committee on Contested Seats, and allow the delegates to "see a man."

The brief interval was duly improved, and when the assemblage commenced work again a spirit of gladsomeness prevailed that was in touching contrast to the chootic condition of things at the outstart.

Mr. O'Leary first gained the floor, and said Mr. Ihmsen declined to run for Mayor. He therefore moved that his name be withdrawn from the list of Mayoralty candidates, and that it be added to the list of nominees for Treasurer.

Mr. O'Donnell raised the point of order that as the nominations for Treasurer had been closed, the motion was not in order.

The Chair decided that the point was not well taken, and that it was a matter entirely for the Convention to decide. He put the question, and it was carried.

THE MAYORALTY CONTEST SETTLED.

A motion was then made and carried that the convention proceed to the nomination for Mayor viva voce.

Upon the vote being counted, it was announced as follows:

John B. Guthrie	48
T. F. Patterson	22
Paul Hugus	1

The chairman announced that John B Guthrie, having received a majority, was the Democratic nominee for Mayor, and on motion of Mr. Patterson, one of the defeated candidates, the nomination was made unanimous.

"Hooray," was the succeeding remark several times repeated.

The Treasurship was next taken up for consideration.

The name of Mr. Hopkins was withdrawn, and Mr. Ihmsen, having no opposition, went through.

"TELLING THE NEWS."

The Chair, being instructed by resolution, announced the following committees to notify the candidates of their doom: On the Mayor—S. F. Patterson, Joseph S. Finch and J. P. Cunningham. On the Treasurer—T. J. O'Leary, John F. Heisel and Chris. Field. On the Controller—M. S. Cassidy, E. S. Stevenson and John Murray.

Mr. English offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Mayor Blackmore be requested to issue his proclamation for an election of city and ward officers to be held on the third Tuesday of February, 1874.

Resolutions were then passed directing the Democrats in the various wards to put in nomination tickets for ward officers, and lastly the Convention struck a streak of common sense and adjourned *sine die*.

GUTHRIE GUSHES.

After the conclusion of the festivities in the Court Room, the participants were filing out, when Mr. Guthrie, the nominee for Mayor, was encountered and called upon for a few remarks. He responded feelingly by remarking that he had been once defeated for Mayor in the city's darkest hour, and now we are confronted with a dark spirit of official dishonesty and incompetency. He believed that four-fifths of the people of Pittsburgh were in favor of reform, and so far as he was concerned he felt bound, if elected, to carry out the wishes in this regard. The present ruling authorities were too busily engaged in lobbery to give the public interests the needed attention. He proposed to fling himself into the breach, and hoped he would be supported.

This was where the applause came in, and where the Democracy dispersed.

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Quality No. 1, $2 25.
Quality No. 2, $2 50.
Quality No. 3, $2 75.
Quality No. 4, $3 00.
Quality No. 5, $3 50.
Quality No. 6, $4 00.
Quality No. 7, $4 50.

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PARTNERS' LIABILITY.

The Case of Hartman vs. Moorehead & Co.—An Interesting Suit.

Yesterday the interesting case of Hartman vs. Moorhead, Adams & Co., which has occupied the attention of the Court of Common Pleas for several days, was concluded, with a verdict for plaintiffs.

This case has attracted considerable attention from the fact that it was in a measure a test case, to show the responsibility of the general firm for the business transactions of one of its members. S. H. Hartman, the plaintiff, brought suit to recover from Moorehead & Co., on a note for $2,000, which was endorsed by a member of the firm, Mr. Calvin Adams. The defendants resisted payment on the ground that Mr. Adams had no authority to endorse notes, and that the plaintiff had not used due diligence to discover, previous to accepting the note, whether the endorsement was all correct.

The evidence showed that the note was of an accommodation character, drawn by Mr. Adams, and endorsed by him for the accommodation of another firm of which he was a member. It was not endorsed by Moorhead, Adams & Co., nor did they appear as in any way interested in the transaction. It further appeared that Mr. Ada ms was not the financial manager of Moorhead, Adams & Co.—the finances being under the control of Mr. Moorhead, who alone had authority to bind the firm.

For the plaintiff on the other hand, it was alleged that he knew nothing of the private agreements of Moorhead & Co., and merely accepted the note knowing Mr. Adams to be a member of the firm of Moorhead, Adams & Co.

The evidence on both sides was voluminous and was closed yesterday morning, when Mr. D. T. Watson, counsel for the plaintiff, made a motion to strike out all the evidence for the defense, for the following reasons:

1st. That the evidence was introduced under offers to connect the same by notice to plaintiff, which the defendants have not made good.

2d. That no notice has been brought home to the plaintiff, of the alleged want of authority of Calvin Adams to endorse the note in the name of Moorhead, Adams & Co.

3d. That the defendants have not, by their evidence and pleadings, established such a state of facts as shifts the burden of proof upon the plaintiff.

4th. The evidence introduced by defendants does not constitute a defense in this action.

These were argued at some length by Mr. Watson for the plaintiff and Messrs. Hampton and Acheson for the defence. The plaintiff alleged that the defendants had utterly failed to make good their first offer to bring home to the plaintiff a knowledge of the character of the note, and passed to their second offer, that there was no proof showing that Wilson, broker, acted as the agent of the plaintiff, but admitting for the sake of the argument that they had, the defense in this state was that the knowledge held or obtained by the agent must be acquired in the course of the business he was transacting for the principal, and this fact also, the defendants had utterly failed to show; that they had not even brought home knowledge to the agent of the character of the note sufficient to put a prudent man on his guard or cause him to make inquiry in regard to it.

Mr. Acheson in reply reviewed the history of the negotiation in the note, showing that it was put into the hands of a broker, Strickler, by Whitten, one of the members of the second firm in which Mr. Adams was a member. It was subsequently sold by Strickler to Wilson, another broker, who in the latter's name possessed Hartman. Then the negotiations were closed. Strickler never saw Hartman. Strickler was the representative of Whitten undoubtedly, and Wilson the representative of Hartman. George Wilson was the agent in the purchase of both these transactions, and he thought, therefore, it would be great error in the court to withhold the evidence from the jury.

Mr. Hampton then addressed the Court. He thought the case rested essentially from any ever tried in Pennsylvania. The plaintiff in this case was the President of a bank and well knew both the firms of Moorhead, Adams & Co. and Whitten & Co. He goes into a bill broker's shop and finds a forged piece of paper in the hands of one of the men. This note is placed by Whitten in the hands of Strickler. He certainly had no right to delegate his authority to any one else. It was a matter of personal confidence. Section 29 of Story was then quoted wherein it was shown that a bill broker cannot delegate his authority. Strickler was Whitten's agent. Mr. Wilson makes the inquiry of him, has he $2,000 to loan on good paper. He says he has. Whiten then gets the note and gives it to Hartman and receives the money. The paper showed on the face that it was not a business transaction. Hartman was suspicious, and asked Wilson if the paper was all right; Wilson said it was. Wilson then goes back to Strickler, the agent of Whitten, and gets the paper for Hartman. Here was a part of the friendship between Wilson and Hartman; it was an act of business. Wilson either held some relation to Strickler or to Hartman. He could not have acted for Strickler, because Strickler had no right to delegate his authority. Then he must have acted as agent for Hartman.

An agency may be a mixed question of law and fact or one merely of law. A number of authorities were then cited to show that the evidence was such as should be submitted to the jury.

After some further argument the question was submitted to the Court.

Judge Collier, after some deliberation, then announced that as far as he was concerned, he always wanted a case to go to the jury whenever there was anything for it to go on. He was very clear on the point that even if all defendant's testimony were true, it made no legal defense, and it was not enough on which to take the case to the jury. The Judge therefore struck out the testimony and gave a sealed bill for defendants.

Mr. Carnahan then stated that the testimony heretofore offered was offered for the purpose of connecting the plaintiff with guilty knowledge. They then proceeded to offer the same testimony on independent grounds, which proposition was stoutly objected to by plaintiff's counsel, they contending that the defendants had closed their case. Mr. Acheson stated that there was some doubt in the minds of himself and his colleagues as to whether they had altogether right on the record for the Supreme Court, and they, therefore, desired to make this offer. He said his own judgment was that this was not necessary, but it was done as a mere matter of caution. The Court allowed the motion, there ruled in sufficient evidence for the defendants to make their case good on.

Mr. Acheson then said that counsel for defendant had prepared some points, and wished to call the attention of the Court to them. He then read them as follows:

1. That an endorsement by a partner of his separate accommodation with the name of his firm, is a sufficient indication of the nature of the transaction, to put the holder of such paper who discounts to inquire into the authority of the partner to use the firm's name for the occasion, unless there are circumstances from which this authority can be sustained.

2 That if the jury find from the evidence that the signature, Calvin Adams, to the note in suit, and the indorsement of the firm name of Moorehead, Adams & Co., are both in the same handwriting, to wit, that of Calvin Adams, the character of the paper was sufficient to put the plaintiff on inquiry when he took the note, or to the authority of Calvin Adams, to indorse the first name, and if said indorsement was the unauthorized act of Calvin Adams for his own accommodation without the consent or knowledge of his co-partners and in fraud of the firm, and no part of the proceeds of the note was ever received by the firm, the plaintiff cannot recover against the firm.

3. If the jury find from the evidence that the signature, Calvin Adams, to the note in suit, and the endorsements of the firm name of Moorhead, Adams & Co. are in the same handwriting, and said endorsement was made by Calvin Adams for his own accommodation, in fraud of said co-partnership articles, and in fraud of said firm, and without the consent, knowledge, ratification, or acquiescence of his co-partners, and that said note so indorsed was placed by R. Q. Whitten, of the firm of Whitten & Co., the payee and first indorser of the note, in the hands of H. W. Strickler, a bill-broker, for sale, and said Strickler was acting in the transaction as a mere bill-broker, the plaintiff was bound to make inquiry into the facts as to the authority of Calvin Adams so to indorse the firm name of Moorhead, Adams & Co. on said note, and if the plaintiff neglected so to do, but relied upon the statement of George Wilson that it was all right he is not entitled to receive against the firm.

4. That a bill broker in selling a promissory note is the agent of both vendor and purchaser, if the latter knows that he is acting in the transaction and to the capacity of a mere bill broker; and if R. Q Whitten of the firm of Whitten & Co., the payee and first indorser of the note in suit, delivered the same to H. W. Strickler, a bill-broker, for sale, the said Strickler was visited with notice that the indorsement of the name of Moorhead, Adams & Co. was an accommodation indorsement, and the plaintiff, through the bill broker, was notified with the like notice, and was bound to make proper inquiry as to the authority for the indorsement, if the jury find from the evidence that the plaintiff, at the time of his purchase, knew that the said Strickler was acting in a bill broker's capacity.

5. That if the jury find from the evidence that George Wilson acted as agent for the plaintiff in the purchase of the note in suit from H. W. Strickler, any knowledge which Wilson had in respect to the note must be visited on the plaintiff; and if Wilson knew that Strickler had received the note from Mr. Whitten for sale for the benefit of Whitten & Co., the payers and first indorsers, the plaintiff was bound to make proper inquiry as to the authority to use the name of Moorhead, Adams & Co., as accommodation indorsers of the paper.

6. That if the plaintiff can recover against the firm at all, he can only recover the amount he paid, to wit: $1,895 and interest thereon.

7. That upon the whole evidence in the case, the verdict should be for the defendants.

All the points, excepting the first two, were ruled adversely to defendants. A lengthy argument on the first two points was then heard by the Court, Mr. Carnahan speaking on behalf of defendants, and Messrs. Slagle and Brown for plaintiff.

The argument was on the question as to whether the form of the note showed that the endorsement of the name of Calvin Adams was an accommodation endorsement; if it did, then it rested with the plaintiff to show that the endorsement was authorized; also whether the form of the note was sufficient to place Hartman on his guard under the necessity of inquiring into the genuineness of the endorsement, before taking it. The argument, in addition to its being quite a long one, was a very animated one, and at its conclusion the Court announced its unwillingness to decide upon the question at this time, but intimated that its views were with the defendants. It directed the jury then to render a verdict for plaintiff, subject to this question of law reserved, which would come up for argument before a full bench, on a motion for a new trial.

VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF.

The jury then found for plaintiff for $2,116.26. The case attracted a great deal of attention among legal gentlemen, as well as business men generally.

European Steamship Arrivals Yesterday.

A dispatch received at Max Schamberg's European Steamship and Telegraph Office, at No. 163 Smithfield street, announces the arrival of the steamer City of Chester, at New York steamer Republic, at Queenstown.

ALLEGHENY CITY POLITICS.

Meeting of the Republican Executive Committee Last Evening—An Important Communication—The Courts to be Asked for a Mandamus to Compel the Mayor to Issue His Proclamation for an Election for Mayor to be Held Next Month—Primaries Ordered.

A meeting of the Republican Executive Committee of Allegheny City, was held last evening in the Common Council Chamber, City Building, for the purpose of taking some decided action relative to the holding of primary elections for the nomination of municipal officers to be voted for in the event of an election, on the third Tuesday of next month.

Besides a very full attendance of the members of the committee, the lobby was filled by interested citizens who were anxious to know what would be the result of the meeting. At half past seven o'clock the gathering was called to order. The Secretary, Mr. R. T. White, then proceeded to call the roll, a large majority of the members answering present.

ADDING TO THE COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. Alexander Hanna of the First ward, the following named gentlemen were added to the Committee: Mr. J. D. Ramsey from the Second ward, Mr. Wibley from the Third ward, Mr. W. C. Smythe, from the Fourth ward, Messrs. Geo. W. Day, and Charlie A. Stemple from the Tenth ward.

The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

The Chairman, Mr. H. M. Long, then stated that the object of the meeting was a three-fold one:

First, to take some action as to whether the primary elections shall be held.

Second, if they are to be held to fix the time for holding them, and

Third, to discuss matters relative to the holding of the election next month.

Mr. Marshall presented a resolution to the effect that the Republican Primary elections be held on Saturday, 14th day of February next, and that they be held by the Republican members of the election boards.

PROPOSING TO DO AWAY WITH PRIMARIES.

Mr. Clancy moved to amend, that primary meetings be dispensed with, and that each ward be entitled to as many delegates as they have members of Council, they to meet in convention to nominate by viva voce a candidate for Mayor.

Mr. McNeill moved that the resolutions and amendment be laid over for a time, as the committee had not decided anything further than would be a primary election, which was carried.

Mr. Paul moved to test the sense of the committee, that no municipal election be held in 1875.

Mr. Ramsey thought that the proper way to reach the question, was to apply at once to the Court for a writ of *mandamus* to compel the Mayor to issue his proclamation for an election next month. The proper parties to apply for this writ, he thought, were the Councilmen elected at the last election, the validity of whose right to seats in Council is doubted, under the opinion of the Attorney General.

AN IMPORTANT REQUEST FROM THE MAYOR.

The following was then read:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY OF ALLEGHENY, January 26th, 1874.

H. M. Long, Esq., Chairman City Republican Executive Committee:

DEAR SIR:—I am directed by His Honor the Mayor to request you to make application to the proper Courts for a writ of mandamus, requiring him to issue his proclamation for an election on the third Tuesday of February next. His reason for not doing so at present are: First, In consequence of the conflicting legal opinions as to the time for holding the election for Mayor under the new Constitution, he is

UNWILLING TO TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY

of calling an election which might ultimately be decided illegal.

Second, Deeming no desire to interfere with or defeat the majority of the citizens, who appear to be in favor of holding an election in the coming February, he desires to issue his proclamation, if decided legal by the Courts, with as little delay as possible.

As to the method he suggests, that if applying for a writ is the only way the matter can be brought before the Courts in time to have a decision prior to holding the election—you will see the necessity of this action I hope and comply with the request.

Very respectfully yours,

J. D. RAMSEY.

DOES NOT THINK AN ELECTION NECESSARY.

Mr. Myler thought that there was no need of an election for Mayor until next year, in accordance with the opinion of the Attorney General. It was not good policy to pull the municipalities until a decision could be obtained from the Courts in regard to whether an election must be held next month or not. The nominations should be held at once, and if the Courts afterwards decided that there need be no election until next year there would be little lost. He wanted this matter settled at once though, and hoped that the time should be fixed for holding the primary elections to nominate a candidate for Mayor.

WANTS A MANDAMUS.

Mr. Ramsey didn't object to making arrangements for holding the primary elections, but thought an application should be made at once to the Courts for a mandamus to compel the Mayor to issue his proclamation.

The chairman asked Mr. Myler if the primary elections should be held and a candidate nominated for Mayor, and in case there was no election this year, would this nomination be binding on the party a year hence.

Mr. Myler replied that certainly it would to be.

The question was then called on Mr. Paul's motion, and it was lost by a decided majority.

Mr. Myler then called up Mr. Marshall's resolution for consideration.

COMING TO A PRACTICAL CONCLUSION.

Mr. McNeill moved that a committee of one from each ward be appointed to take charge of the Mayor's communication, and in connection with the City Solicitor, W. B. Rodgers, Esq., apply to the Courts for a writ of mandamus, providing they deemed it necessary.

After some discussion, the motion was adopted and Messrs. McNeill, Brown, Sholes, Paul, Heagy, Robertson, Myler, Chaney, Cashman, Loudon and Hartman were appointed the committee.

PRIMARIES ORDERED.

The resolution offered by Mr. Marshall, fixing the time for holding the primary elections on Saturday, February 14th, was then taken up.

Mr. Paul moved to amend, by inserting after the word "primary elections," the words "for nomination of a candidate for Mayor." He thought this committee had nothing further to do; the matter of nominating ward officers should be left to the people of the ward themselves, but he thought that the councilmen who were elected at the last election, held their offices until the election of next year, but if not, he thought that it was understood that those who were elected at the last election would be re-elected without opposition.

After some discussion the motion was adopted.

ANOTHER AMENDMENT.

The resolution was further amended by providing that the primary elections be held between the hours of 3 and 7 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Myler moved to amend, by fixing the date of holding the primary elections from the 14th to the 7th of February, which was carried, and the resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion adjourned

THE MANDAMUS COMMITTEE.

The committee appointed under Mr. McNeills' resolution was then called together, when it was decided to await the action of the Legislature on the bill now before them, requiring that an election be held next month, before any steps be taken relative to applying for a writ of *mandamus*.

The committee then adjourned until Saturday evening.

"THE BATTLE OF MONEY."

Mrs. Livermore's Lecture Last Night.

The weather was not in any way attractive last night, but notwithstanding the showers, a very large audience, forsook cosy homes, for seats at Library Hall, the attraction being Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, of Boston, with her lecture on "The Battle of Money."

The character of the audience, none the less than its size, attested the popularity of the lectures, and gave evidence that the lady has won a high place in the estimation of lecture-goers of Pittsburgh, which is in every way the reward of genuine merit.

Mrs. Livermore appeared on the stage about eight o'clock, being introduced by Josiah Cohen, Esq., and without any formal introduction began an address which, happily, combined instruction and entertainment, and occupied in the neighborhood of an hour. Space will not permit a synopsis of her remarks here, but in brief she laid down the proposition that there were two great impulses that ruled in the Anglo Saxon character—the love of liberty and the love of money. Showing when the people loved liberty and held which of these is the strongest, but when the nation's life was imperilled and blood and treasure were poured out like water for liberty, *that* question was forever settled and the love of liberty was shown to be the predominant power.

But this was only proven by a sharp trial, and when the contest had passed and liberty no longer called for sacrifice, the other passion commenced to hold sway, and the Anglo Saxon of the 19th century commenced to devote his energies to money-getting—commenced the battle of money.

The speaker then with this as a starting point, proceeded to discuss the evils which came from this strife—touched upon the wild and reckless race for wealth, the schemings, the swindles, the lotteries that were used to bring in the gold.

As an offset to this, she argued, that as men, as the American, did not seek gold for its own sake but for what it would get, so the time would come when they would learn that it was best to seek it by fair and honest means. They would learn from the history of schemes exploded, and from "panics" that no real prosperity could arise save from real honesty and integrity in commercial life—that if a man should fill up low middling to street low middling at 14¢@15¢; middling to street middling 15¢@16¢; good middling to street, receipts 9,250 bales; exports coastwise 637; stock 291,297.

Live Stock.

CHICAGO, January 27.—Cattle; receipts 2,200 head; market fairly active but weak; fair to good $4 75@5 40; choice $5 50@5 80; extra $6,15@6 50; cattle for in transit; receipts 1,687 head; prices weak; fair to good $4 50@4 75; choice, extra lot of $5 00@5 25; highest price of the season; shipments 3,500. Sheep; receipts 5,000 head; market active, firm and higher at $4 50@5 25 for fair to choice.

WATERTOWN, January 27.—Beef cattle; receipts 1,000 head; market one-half lower; sales at 3½@4½c; no choice; 1 to 2 extra at 4½c; 3 extra at 4c; 2 extra at 3½c; 1 extra at 3c; 2 extra at 2½c; 1 extra at 2c; 1 extra at 1½c; 1 extra at 1c; 1 extra at ½c; 1 extra at ¼c; 1 extra at ⅛c; 1 extra at ⅜c; 1 extra at ⅝c; 1 extra at ⅞c; 1 extra at 1¼c; 1 extra at 1½c; 1 extra at 1¾c; 1 extra at 2c; 1 extra at 2½c; 1 extra at 3c; 1 extra at 3½c; 1 extra at 4c; 1 extra at 4½c; 1 extra at 5c; 1 extra at 5½c; 1 extra at 6c; 1 extra at 6½c; 1 extra at 7c; 1 extra at 7½c; 1 extra at 8c; 1 extra at 8½c; 1 extra at 9c; 1 extra at 9½c; 1 extra at 10c; 1 extra at 10½c; 1 extra at 11c; 1 extra at 11½c; 1 extra at 12c; 1 extra at 12½c; 1 extra at 13c; 1 extra at 13½c; 1 extra at 14c; 1 extra at 14½c; 1 extra at 15c; 1 extra at 15½c; 1 extra at 16c; 1 extra at 16½c; 1 extra at 17c; 1 extra at 17½c; 1 extra at 18c; 1 extra at 18½c; 1 extra at 19c; 1 extra at 19½c; 1 extra at 20c; 1 extra at 20½c; 1 extra at 21c; 1 extra at 21½c; 1 extra at 22c; 1 extra at 22½c; 1 extra at 23c; 1 extra at 23½c; 1 extra at 24c; 1 extra at 24½c; 1 extra at 25c; 1 extra at 25½c; 1 extra at 26c; 1 extra at 26½c; 1 extra at 27c; 1 extra at 27½c; 1 extra at 28c; 1 extra at 28½c; 1 extra at 29c; 1 extra at 29½c; 1 extra at 30c; 1 extra at 30½c; 1 extra at 31c; 1 extra at 31½c; 1 extra at 32c; 1 extra at 32½c; 1 extra at 33c; 1 extra at 33½c; 1 extra at 34c; 1 extra at 34½c; 1 extra at 35c; 1 extra at 35½c; 1 extra at 36c; 1 extra at 36½c; 1 extra at 37c; 1 extra at 37½c; 1 extra at 38c; 1 extra at 38½c; 1 extra at 39c; 1 extra at 39½c; 1 extra at 40c; 1 extra at 40½c; 1 extra at 41c;